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THE SHANGHAI DOCK & ENGINEERING CO., LTD.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-fourth Annual General Meeting of the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., Ltd., will be held in the Boardroom of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 27 The Bund, on Monday, January 29, 1940 at 4 o'clock in the afternoon for the following purposes, namely:—

To receive and consider the annual statement of accounts and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon, to declare a dividend, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact any other business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the same place and on the same day at 4.15 o'clock in the afternoon or so soon afterwards as the Annual General Meeting shall be concluded an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company will be held for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing as a Special Resolution the following Resolution that is to say:

(a) THAT the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Company, Limited be wound up voluntarily AND THAT FREDERICK NEWMAN MATTHEWS, F.C.A. and ERNEST FROST HARDMAN, C.A. both of 2 Peking Road Shanghai be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators jointly and each of them severally for the purposes of such winding-up AND THAT the remuneration of the said Liquidators be fixed at an initial fee of Dollars Fifteen thousand and such further fee as may be decided upon by the Committee of Inspection.

(b) THAT the Liquidators may divide among the contributories in specie or kind any part of the assets of the Company or may vest any part of the assets of the Company in Trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the contributories or any of them as the Liquidators shall think fit.

(c) THAT FREDERICK ARTHUR POLLOCK of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., ARCHIBALD HEDLEY MATTHEWS of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and HERBERT CASTLE BARTON WAY of the Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ltd. be and they are hereby appointed to act as a Committee of Inspection in such winding-up.

The transfer books and register of members will be closed from January 16, 1940 to January 29, 1940 both days inclusive.

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By Order of the Board,
D. R. GLASS, A.C.A.
Secretary.

Shanghai, January 5, 1940.

NOTE: Shareholders and members of the public are notified that no transfer of shares taking place after the books of the Company have been closed will be recognised.

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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from January 29, to February 2, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. R. BURKILL & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries and General Managers.

Shanghai, January 16, 1940.

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THE SHANGHAI PAHANG RUBBER ESTATE, LTD.

(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances of Hongkong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Directors have this day declared an Interim Dividend for the year ending June 30, 1940, at the rate of Ten Cents Local Currency per share to be paid to Members on record on Tuesday, January 30, 1940.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from January 24 to January 30, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. R. BURKILL & SONS, LTD.,
Secretaries and General Managers.

Shanghai, January 16, 1940.

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GEORGE JOSEPH WILLIAM MORGAN

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ALL creditors and debtors of the above-named deceased are hereby requested to furnish us as soon as possible with particulars of their claims or debts.

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17 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
17 B. Zakharoff and V. Havsky in a Concert for Two Pianos, Lyc., 9.15
17 Japan repudiated Chinese Central Government (1938)

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JANUARY

18 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
18 B.W.A. embroidery exhibition by pupils of Mrs. Schoenbek
18 For. Y. Debate: 'Divorce by Mutual Consent Should be Legalized'
20 Cathedral School Old Boys vs. School, Coronation Mem'l. Playing Field, 2.30
20 Shanghai Scottish Coy., S.V.C. Silver Jubilee Dinner, S.V.C. Club, 8
20 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
20 Grand Operatic Concert, Lisa Robitchek, Ernest Krasso, Lyceum, 9
20 B.W.A. Sports Section Dance, 9
21 Municipal Orchestra Concert, Lyc., 5.15
21 'Vagabond King,' Lt. Op., Lyc., 8.45
22 S.A.C.S., Medhurst Apt. 84: 'Bronzes'
22 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
23 A.W.C.: Dr. Gardiner on 'Diet,' 4.45
23 For. Y. Lecture: 'Trans-Ocean Air Communications,' by Mr. F. J. Sanger
24 Cathedral School Old Boys' Assn. ann. gen. mtg., 219 Kiukiang Rd., 5.30
24 A.D.C. Club Evening, Lyceum, 9.15
25 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
25 Cradle bridge/mahjongg, S.I.B.C., 3
25 Royal Asiatic Society Annual Meeting
25 Chamber Orchestra, 1939, Third Concert, Eastern Theatre, 8.30
27 'Countess Maritza,' music by E.Kalman, Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
28 'Countess Maritza,' L. Op., Lyc., 8.45
30 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
30 For. Y. Lecture: 'Chinese Religious Heritage' by Dr. C. B. Day
31 B.U.S.C. Lecture: 'Light,' Mr. Harold G. B. Perry, 114 Peking Road, 5.30

FEBRUARY

1 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
1 Ballet Russe gala performance of 'Tsar Maiden,' fantastic ballet, Lyc., 9
2 Grand Soirée, aid St. Tichon's, Arcadia, 9.30
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General Meeting

A General Meeting of the Members will be held at No. 1736 Avenue Joffre on Friday, January 26, 1940 at 10.45 a.m.

H. M. BARTER,
Hon. Secretary.

Shanghai, January 17, 1940.

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YANGTSZE FINANCE CO., LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. 3409 with transfer deed attached for 500 shares Nos. 415501/416000 inclusive issued in the name of The Chekiang Industrial Bank, Ltd. dated July 8, 1937, in the above named Company has been declared lost, and the public is hereby warned against negotiating same.

In the event of the said Certificate not being recovered on or before February 18, 1940 a new Certificate will be issued in lieu thereof.

TURNER, STURROCK & BROWN,
Secretaries.

Shanghai, January 16, 1940.

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YANGTSZE FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. 4161 with transfer deed attached for 500 shares Nos. 103401/103900 inclusive issued in the name of Bernard Woodley Talbot and Herbert John Murray Cook dated December 28, 1939, in the above-named Company has been declared lost, and the public is hereby warned against negotiating same.

In the event of the said Certificate not being recovered on or before February 17, 1940, a new Certificate will be issued in lieu thereof.

TURNER, STURROCK & BROWN,
Secretaries.

Shanghai, January 15, 1940.

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THE SUNGHEI DURI RUBBER ESTATE, LTD.

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C. D. LONGHURST,
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Correspondence for this column should be addressed to the Editor, North-China Daily News Office, 17 The Bund, Shanghai, and to ensure secrecy, marked "Letters to the Editor"

Game Shooting:
Has Ban Been Lifted?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I shall appreciate it very much if you will kindly publish the following in the correspondence column of your paper.

I shall be very much obliged if any of your readers or Japanese authorities can inform me whether or not the game shooting ban in and around Shanghai has been lifted.

The reason why I ask, is because I have noticed a number of Japanese sportsmen, also some foreign sportsmen out shooting in the Hungjao area. Some of these foreign sportsmen happen to be my personal friends, who inform me that they have been able to obtain shooting licenses.

I have been hunting in this district for the past many years and am very keen to be at it again, if only I can feel certain that there will be no unpleasantness from the Japanese authorities.

RAMONA.

Shanghai, Jan. 16.

Coal Prices:
Where Does Difference Go?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Perhaps some of your readers could answer a question of interest to many other readers.

It has been learned on very good authority that locally-produced coal in Peking is selling at the exorbitant price of $25 per ton. It is also learned that the coal produced by a large mining administration is retailing in Peking at $20, in Tientsin at $18 and in Chingwantao at $20. It is also learned that ships arriving in Shanghai are carrying cargoes of coal as large as 7,000 tons. We believe we are asked to pay $108 per ton in Shanghai.

Assuming that the foregoing is reasonably accurate and we have no reason to believe otherwise, could anyone explain who receives the difference between the retail prices of Tientsin and Shanghai on a 7,000 ton order of approximately $630,000.

HELL FREEZES.

Shanghai, Jan. 16.

Local Lifts:
Overcrowding Alleged

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

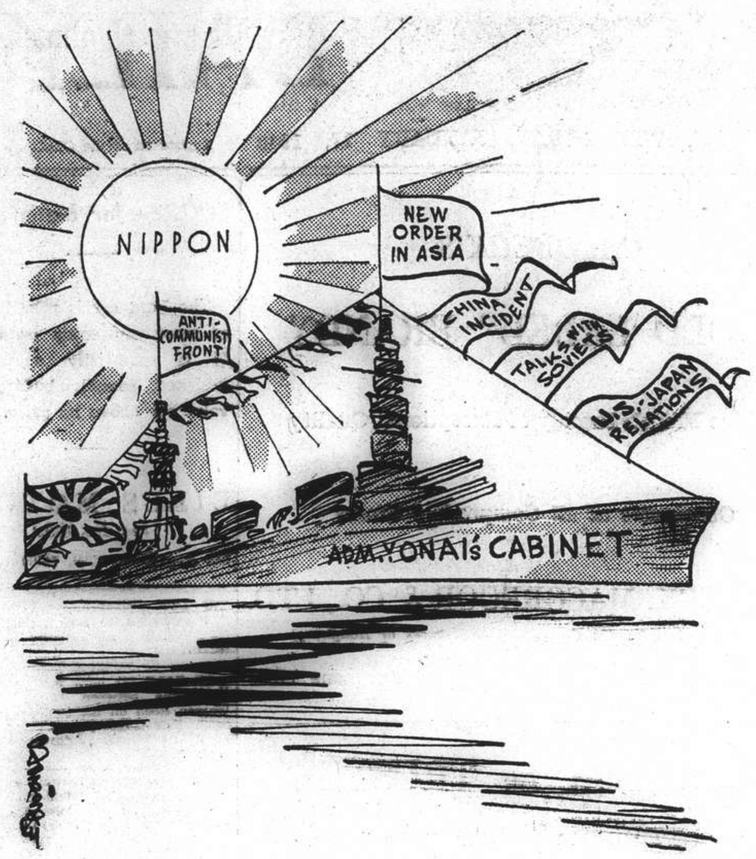
SIR,—There does not appear to be any effective control by the Municipal Authorities as to the number of persons elevators are permitted to carry per trip, and one is led to wonder when the Authorities are going to do anything about the matter.

Take the case of the elevators in one down town building, for instance. Already on two occasions the elevator in which I was a passenger was caught between one floor and another, due to overcrowding. Although each elevator would be able to carry normally 15 passengers, on the occasion in question at least 25 persons were being carried, with the consequence that the power mechanism refused to or was unable to cope with the excess load.

Is it necessary for a very serious accident to occur, say one of the elevators crashing down with a full load of passengers, and causing death and serious injury to all of them, before anything is done to prevent similar conditions in other tall buildings? If the Council and its hirelings are smart enough to take tax payers money, they ought to be smart enough to end this overcrowding of elevators. Let's have some action!

A. T. SOC.

Shanghai, Jan. 15.



BY SAPAJOU

The New Flagship

The War at Sea Reviewed

Former Lectures At Kiel Naval Academy Points Out Shortcomings of Pocket Battleships

WRITING in a recent issue of the "Spectator," Dr. Herbert Rosinski, who was a lecturer at the Naval War Academy at Kiel from 1932 to 1936, reviews German naval warfare in the present war as compared to that displayed during the world war. He draws attention to the shortcomings of the pocket battleships and displays considerable surprise at the inaccuracy of German gunners in the present war as compared to that shown by their predecessors in the 1914-1918 struggle.

The German Navy lost the last war because its directors saw in naval warfare a purely military duel between the two opposing fleets. Blindly convinced that with the outbreak of hostilities the British Grand Fleet would not hesitate to penetrate into the Heligoland Bight and offer them battle, the German admirals for nearly two decades had had no thought or plan going beyond preparations for that encounter. When instead the Grand Fleet preferred from its secure base at Scapa Flow to cut Germany off from the outer world without a preliminary battle against the German High Sea Fleet, they realized too late that in naval warfare the essential factor was control of vital communications, not the defeat of your opponent's armed forces.

The realization of that fact is the foundation-stone of Germany's naval strategy in the present war. Incapable of maintaining her own communications against the overwhelming superiority of the Allies, she was resolved not to repeat her former mistake and dissipate her efforts by directing them against the British Battle Fleet, but to concentrate them for an overwhelming attack against the Allied lines of communication behind the shield formed by that force. In doing so, the German naval strategists have certainly not ignored the fact that in naval history so far such "evasive" strategy has invariably broken down in the end before the command of the sea established by superior sea-power, as happened in their own submarine campaign in the last war. What has imbued them with the hope of faring better in the present conflict has been the determination to bring this attack to bear with a concentration of purpose and effort unknown in the history of naval warfare.

Co-ordination of Attack

This concentration of effort was not merely to express itself in a new intensity of submarine and mine warfare, resulting from a hitherto unheard-of co-ordination and co-operation of the most diversified means of attack—submarine, aerial and surface—against Allied shipping. During the World War the German submarine campaign broke down, in the last resort, because the submarines were left alone in their attack on the Allied convoys. The main body of the German Fleet had indeed given them its indirect support and its assistance in passing through the British minefields in the Heligoland Bight, but it completely failed to co-operate with them directly by sending out cruisers through the British lines of blockade to overwhelm the weak convoy escorts, normally composed only of some six to eight destroyers, which sufficed to keep the submarines down.

Things were to be very different this time. Co-ordination of submarine and surface attack was to be the basic strategy. While the submarine would again force the Allied shipping together into convoys, German surface raiders, breaking through the British blockade into the open Atlantic, would come swooping down on them and annihilate whole convoys, escorts and all. The spearpoint of this attack was to consist of the three pocket-battleships. Swift enough to evade the bulk of the Allied warships, they were, with their powerful 11-inch guns, superior to practically any Allied man-of-war which they were likely to meet on escort duty.

How great was the confidence which German naval experts placed in them, and how sure they were of the success of that strategy, is nowhere shown with more brutal frankness than in an article on British escort vessels published about a year ago by Admiral Meurer in the "Militar Wochenblatt." Commenting on the fact that the British Admiralty was obviously preparing against an attack upon British shipping not merely by submarine but by surface raiders as well, he pointed out that the forces so far available (15 large and 60 odd small cruisers) were neither in numbers nor in individual strength adequate to that task. Even the projected construction of special escort cruisers, with a relatively low speed but strong protection and armament, did not appear to him sufficient. "Against heavy cruisers with 8-inch guns, still more against armoured ships of the 'Deutschland' type, such escort cruisers would be of very little value. If such dangers were to be faced older battleships would be needed, as was the case with the Norwegian convoys in 1918....The less we have to reckon in future with the clash of large battle fleets, as at Jutland, the more trade warfare is going to predominate in naval war."

Pocket Battleships Disappoint

It is against the background of this assurance, and of the decisive rôle the pocket-battleships were designed to play in the German naval plan of campaign, that the failure of this new and formidable type assumes its full significance. The pocket-battleships have failed no less completely as raiders than as fighters. As raiders, though not wholly unsuccessful—the 'Graf Spee's' 50,000 tons do not compare too badly with the 70,000 apiece that fell to the 'Emden' and 'Karlsruhe' 25 years ago—they have completely failed to bring off that wholesale destruction of convoys which naval experts in both camps had hoped (or feared as the case may be) from them. Incomparably more important, however, is the fact that their vaunted superiority has been so signally disproved in last Wednesday's fight off the mouth of the La Plata. Not the fact that the 'Graf Spee' has been run to earth at last is the outstanding feature of that action, but that it has been successfully vanquished in an open and fair fight by three of those small cruisers so disdainfully dismissed by Admiral Meurer as utterly unable to stand up to it. Thus is shattered at one blow the fundamental assumption in the whole German plan of attack, the superiority of their chief raiders over practically all vessels which they were likely to meet behind the British "front line at sea."

The chief credit for this must undoubtedly go to the remarkable pluck and skill of the British commander-in-chief and of his captains and to the marksmanship of the crews, which was great beyond all praise. Beyond that, however, the defeat of the 'Graf Spee' seems to have confirmed conspicuously certain defects criticized in Germany at the time of the Parliamentary struggle for the construction of the pocket-battleship class, and subsequently reaffirmed by rumours when the ships were first put into commission. The remarkably strong armament had been bought at the cost of such a wholly impermissible weakening of the protection, that, as was shown on this occasion, not even the strongest points—for example, the control-tower—were able to stand up to medium calibre (6-inch) gun-fire. Similiarly, the placing of the lighter guns behind open shields on the deck, pointed out to me as long ago as 1928 as a source of weakness by a German naval expert, apparently enabled a British plane to silence them during the action by machine-gunning them from above. Above all, one cannot help wondering how far the extensive use of electric welding, employed throughout the pocket-battleships instead of solid riveting, to economise weight may have contributed to the 'Graf Spee's' surprising lack of resisting power.

Beyond these defects in the pocket-battleship class itself two general facts seem to have emerged from the fight before Montevideo. One is the confirmation of the old truth that in a raider speed is of greater importance than fighting power. The captain of the 'Graf Spee' seems very rightly to have followed the line that his main task was to disturb the Allied commerce, and not to fight naval battles. If his speed had been greater, it is not inconceivable that he might have succeeded in getting away once more, whereas his superior armament has proved of no avail to him. The other fact of interest is the curious decline in the marksmanship of the German Navy since the World War. In 1914 the German Navy distinguished itself throughout by the extremely high class of its gunnery. In the present conflict, however, the 'Graf Spee,' though without doubt ably commanded, clearly fell far short of the remarkable marksmanship displayed by her three nimble opponents.

The German Army And the Nazis

Material Circumstances Do Not Allay Mental Misgivings

It was the boast of the former German Imperial Army, that they were outside and aloof from political strife. Ludendorff translated this boast into a claim to dictate to the civil authorities, and, through the agency of a weak and bewildered Kaiser, he established this claim. The resulting devotion of all Germany's resources to military needs resulted in the destruction of civilian backing for the war, and in the ultimate collapse of the home front. The Army chose to consider this collapse as a further proof of their superiority, instead of as, in part at least, a consequence of their own attitude. This interpretation of the events of 1918, enabled the Army to preserve its self-esteem and to claim that they had never been beaten. There were many million witnesses in the Allied Armies to the fact that this was wishful thinking, and that the German Army, though nobody denied their gallantry, was well and truly beaten in the military sense.

The myth of military invincibility thus created, restorted the peculiar non-political character of the Reichswehr in post-war Germany. At the same time, the Nazis perceived from the very beginning (and particularly after the Munich putsch in 1923), that no revolution could take place without the co-operation or at least the condonation of the Reichswehr. After the death of von Hindenburg, Hitler at once set to work to nazify the Army. He secured tolerance of this project by four methods, first, by representing the "Blood Bath" of June 1934, as the suppression of political armies in favour of the Reichswehr; secondly, by getting himself appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Reichswehr; thirdly, by proceeding slowly and cautiously to dominate recalcitrant elements in the Reichswehr; and lastly by re-introducing conscription, with its preliminaries of the Hitler Youth Movement and of the Labour Service. The period of von Blomberg's command was that of transition from an Army which was the old Reichswehr into an Army controlled by the Nazis. Von Blomberg himself was a half-way figure. He was at once a personal friend and admirer of Hitler's, and much respected by the Army. He was removed for marrying beneath him, and his removal, ascribed to the representations of senior officers, was unpopular with a large section of the Army and rendered Army circles more amenable to Nazi infiltration. Von Blomberg himself is luckier than many of Hitler's early friends, for he is only in prison instead of being in his grave.

Nazi Influence Increases

The increase of Nazi influence has drawn the Army more and more into the political vortex with highly unpleasant consequences to those who remember and love the old traditions. They have undoubtedly resented as dishonourable the persecution of the Jews by Hitler's political Army—the S.S. and the S.A., and in Austria they occasionally succeeded in checking Nazi excesses. They have to swallow the fact that the S.S. and S.A., so largely composed of young men, are employed on safe activities while older men are sent to the front. More recently, they have seen the death of von Fritsch, a former and deeply respected chief, in highly suspicious circumstances before Warsaw; nor can these feelings have been soothed by the nauseating action of his murderers in giving him a state funeral. They have seen the shelving (and, according to reports, the arrest) of von Hammerstein, whose name is a household word in the Army, and of other high officers, on a vanity of suspicions including that of possessing monarchical views. But though the Nazis can purge the Army of persons, the Army can still influence high policy. For example, when Hitler decided to invade Poland he could exact their compliance, but only on condition that he secured Russian neutrality. This indispensable strategical requirement has brought in its train highly unpleasant political consequences. The Army's request for Russian neutrality does not mean that the Army chiefs love Bolshevism. On the contrary, they hate anything so destructive of discipline; and though there is much in common between Nazism and Communism, if the Nazis started openly to implement left-wing views on any other pretext save that of military necessity the effect would be devasting upon senior officers and especially the whole Catholic element in the Army. Hitler's recent protestations that he is still as anti-Communist as ever were undoubtedly intended mainly for Army consumption. In short, the Army has been made the trapeze for Hitler's ethical acrobatics, and, though bound by their oath to him and by their professional pride, they do not like it.

Mental Misgivings

Nor are material circumstances such as to allay mental misgivings. The German High Command has had to station its troops in the Siegfried Line, part of which is reported to have been designed by Hitler himself and to be a poor tribute to his vaunted architectural capacity. It is certainly very wet. Other positions in front of the Siegfried Line, whose occupation at considerable cost has been dictated by prestige and not by military considerations, are both wet and dirty. Foch's dictum may be recalled. "Boche is bad, and mud is bad; but Boche and mud together—Ah!" The Boche and the mud are now together in another sense. Moreover, the troops cannot be isolated altogether, even by Dr. Goebbels, from home contacts; and many German homes present a dismal picture. The Army itself is not short of food, but their families often are—to judge by the officially recommended menus for civilians. Some homes may even commit the crimes—so horrible in Nazi eyes and so ferociously punished—of listening-in to foreign broadcasts or reading the leaflets dropped by British aeroplanes. Even the Army is not immune from bewilderment and discontent, freely expressed by prisoners taken in the early days. These men had not heard of the declaration of war or of the Russian pact. They were horrified when told of both by their captors. But all the German Army knows at least these facts now. They know, as one prisoner put it, that they have been "deceived." The process of disillusionment has begun. Once again brave men have been led by irresponsible leaders to fight for a bad cause in foul conditions. "Necessity knows no law" was the German slogan in 1914 and in 1939." "There is never necessity for lawlessness" was the Allied response then and now.

Papuans Offer to Fight for Allies

Noise of Bombardments May Be Too Much

Adelaide, Jan. 16.

Many natives of Papua have offered to fight for the Allies, according to Sir Hubert Murray, for 30 years Lieutenant-Governor of Papua. He feared, however, that the noise of a bombardment would devastate them.

Many natives who had never heard of Hitler had approached him and offered their services as soldiers. "These offers touched me deeply," said Sir Hubert Murray. "The natives had a vague idea that the British people were at war, but the enemy or the cause did not matter. They thought that if Britain was at war, her cause must be the right one. When the natives offered their services, I told them that when they are required they will be called for."—Reuter.

Denmark Seeks Coal Supply from Reich

Copenhagen, Jan. 16.

Denmark is negotiating with Germany for a large supply of coal, which is one of the biggest problems of the Scandinavian countries in war time, it was learned here last night. Sweden is already sending 500 freight cars to Germany to bring back coal, it was said.—United Press.

More British Cars for Overseas

Official War Time Plan to Replace German Exports

Conferences between motor manufacturers, the Ministry of Supply and the Board of Trade have resulted in a plan to increase the export of British motor cars and commercial vehicles all over the world, and specially to secure a share in the eliminated sea-borne export markets of Germany, which last year traded 78,000 vehicles out of the Reich.

Since war began Britain has sent overseas an average of nearly 1,000 vehicles a week. Under the new scheme a detailed arrangement for supplies of basic materials has been officially planned for at least twelve months ahead, and manufacturers have already started to draw up future production schedules.

"Our overseas customers are now assured of supplies both of cars and commercial vehicles, the arrangements being on the basis that export orders shall be fully met. The export interests of the motor industry are therefore safeguarded to the utmost possible under present conditions," said Mr. William E. Rootes, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, speaking for a British industry whose direct annual contribution from all sources to the nation's economic life is estimated at £500,000,000.

Military Needs Not Jeopardized

"The country's resources are so vast in raw materials and manufacturing ability that this large scale export trade development in no way jeopardizes the production of military requirements for road and air transport and other essential equipment."

One-fifth of all British vehicles produced were regularly exported, but this proportion will be increased to 50 per cent. during the war. Including parts and accessories, the pre-war annual value of British motor exports was £20,000,000. Since 1937, the annual export figure of 100,000 vehicles has been reached.

The total elimination of Germany's sea-borne export trade is capable of exceptionally favourable reactions for British motor manufacturers, because competition was largely in the light car class, in which British preeminence is acknowledged throughout the world.

Sixteen Die as Wall Collapses in Mine

Mexico City, Jan. 16.

Sixteen were killed yesterday through the collapse of a wall during blasting at the Dos Carlos Silver Mine in Pachuca. Six others are feared to be dying. There were four others injured.—Reuter.

U.S. Ambassador Leaves Peiping

To Make Stay Here Before Going to Chungking

Peiping, Jan. 16.

The United States Ambassador to China, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, left for Chinwangtao, en route to Shanghai, early yesterday morning. He was accompanied by his private secretary, the Military Attaché, Major Mayer, and the Naval Attaché, Lt.-Commander H. E. Overesch.

The party boarded the United States transport Henderson at Chinwangtao.

It is learned that Mr. Johnson is proceeding to Chungking after staying a short time at Shanghai, though the date of his visit to the capital has not been disclosed.

He arrived in Peiping last month and spent Christmas and New Year with his wife and family here.—Reuter.

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FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF JANUARY 17, 1870

We hear that the Hangchow experienced a heavy blow, accompanied first by a sand and next by a hail storm, on her way upriver, some distance this side of Kiukiang. Both anchors were let go, as it was nearly impossible to see ahead, but one parted, and it was then thought better to steam on to Kiukiang which was eventually reached, and where she lay some time, awaiting better weather.

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Finnish Troops Stave Off Soviet Karelian Attack

Gallant Defenders Employ Brilliant Strategical Tactics; Huge Russian Tanks Blown up by Mines

By TOR GJESDAL, correspondent of "Arbeiderbladet," Oslo, in the Finnish frontlines somewhere on the Karelian Isthmus, Dec. 14, 1939.

(*Translated from the Norwegian* by K. A. PERSEN)

THERE are four of us crouching in a machine-gun nest on the Karelian front. It is a characteristic section of the front: before us is an open field, a frozen swamp. On the other side on the edge of the forest are the Russians. From there they start their assaults, some times with tanks, some times in close infantry formation, but preferably the first. Few have been willing to believe the reports of the tremendous Russian casualties but here we see the proof. Scattered over the snowy marshland they lay in heaps—bodies which cry out towards heaven against this mad war.

This is the truth which cannot be hidden: entire ranks of Russians have fallen as they advanced line after line facing the Finnish machine-gunners who only commenced firing when they knew that no ammunition would be wasted. The dead remain in No Man's Land, only the Finns have buried some of their enemies under simple crosses.

There is a fog over the Karelian Isthmus today, the heavy clouds of a winter's day are hanging low over the landscape, and occasional flakes of snow are falling. Under cover of the mist some of us have got permission to enter the first lines to where the Russians are only 800 metres away. A young Finnish machine-gunner with his hand on the ammunition belt is gazing through the narrow opening in the machine-gun nest across the field of snow.

There is not much talk. These men in their fur caps are men of few words. They only know that a mere second's hesitation at the right moment may prove fatal, but they also know that they have to wait until the enemy is dangerously near. It must be a colossal strain on the nerves, but the Finns can stand it. They have a complete reliance on themselves and on their weapons, and they defend themselves extremely well.

Like Dantes "Inferno"

There has been no attack today, the ammunition remains in the same spot as when they ceased fire last night, but that does not mean at all that it is quiet. The Russians have been shelling since early morning and the roar of the guns can be heard continuously. It rises and falls from one minute to the other, this chorus from Dantes "Inferno." On the way out we have been obliged time after time to throw ourselves in the snow, when shells burst in the forest and pieces of shrapnel splintered the tree tops. Once a shell whissed past in the immediate neighbourhood and we picked up a glowing piece of shapnel and brought it along as a souvenir. The artillery fire, however, is scattered and rather casual.

It is quite obvious that the Russians are not saving their ammunition. They are shelling furiously the entire stretch of forest which they know contains the defence lines of the Finns, in the hope that in any case some hits will be scored. Here we saw one of the sentries on stretcher. He had been hit in the back by a splinter.

Anti-tank Post

We continue from the machine-gun nest. Between the trunks of the trees we creep along on all fours in order to reach an anti-tank position. Sometimes we bump against heavy logs of timber, which support the trenches. It is as if the air stood still between each explosion from the guns. We can distinguish the reply from the Finns in between. From behind and on all sides we hear the sharp reports as the shells leave the guns. We hear the muffled detonations as they strike far away. The artillery of the Finns is very well sighted. They know at what they aim, and they have observation posts far out in No Man's Land, giving them directions from time to time as occasion demands.

Very few men are in the trenches, only lonely sentries in the most advanced places ready with their automatic rifles. We reach an anti-tank gun in its well camouflaged position and here we hear of and see what has just happened. Immediately after dawn two Russian tanks of the biggest type, the Stalin, advanced through the fog. This weapon, which is the most effective one the Russians have, is protected by armour capable of withstanding heavy guns. The Finns chose to destroy them with mines and at exactly the correct moment one of the mine zones out in the field was set off. The tanks came to a sudden standstill and remained in a helpless condition.

From the Russian side relief was immediately sent forward: five heavy trucks loaded with infantry in a column followed by tractors, which were to tow the valuable death-machines back.

The Finns permitted the soldiers to spread out but before they opened up with a murderous cross-fire from eight machine-guns at the same time. Not one escaped. Once more the Russian tanks advanced, this time three of the lighter types. A Finnish patrol crept up towards the tanks. They carried with them an extremely simple but effective weapon against tanks, which they themselves have discovered. This is a secret which of course we are not going to disclose. They hid themselves in a hole. All three tanks were hit.

"Not Asked to Come"

Already an hour passed since this happened. The wrecks of the tanks remain in the snow. About 400 metres distant we can see through our field glasses that they are black and red after the fire. Scattered round these wrecks we can also see those dreadful gray lumps which only a few hours ago represented live human beings. Men from the district of Leningrad, from Georgia, from the Russian steppes and from remote villages.

The Finns are shaking their heads: "We have not invited them to come," is the only comment they make. As we lay there on our stomachs looking out over this landscape of death, the field telephone rings: five new Russian tanks advancing. Quietly the Finnish soldiers prepare their anti-tank gun for action. Two men take their places with the ammunition ready at their feet behind the steel plates. Ten minutes later we perceive the rumbling monsters appearing on the horizon. The young lieutenant ordered us to withdraw. The climate is an unhealthy one for civilians, but such is the daily routine on the Karelian Isthmus.

We are again roaming the forests and the fields between the lakes which make the isthmus between the Gulf of Finland and Lake Ladoga such a splendid defensive terrain against an enemy of aggression. New surprises meet us almost at every step we take. In truth it can be said that all possibilities for defence have been utilized. The advance-posts which we visited bear witness to an inventiveness and a strategy of defence, carried out with simple means, which it would be extremely difficult to duplicate.

Nothing can be seen either from the lines of the enemy or from the air. Everything is camouflaged to perfection. The machine-gun nests are built into solid concrete blocks. The field artillery and the anti-tank guns are also placed in secure positions. Here we find trenches which are not several miles long such as we remember them from the Western Front, but criss crossing one another throughout the forests and connected by an intricate system of communication trenches demanding a thorough knowledge of the terrain.

In some places there are positions which can actually be defended by a single sharpshooter. This affords great possibilities even if operations should develop into a pure guerilla warfare, and this network of trenches right across the path of the Russians will cost tremendously both in material and men to break through. In the rear of this defence system one can find line after line of the strongest fortifications which include the famous granite obstructions against tanks. This system of defence which has received the name of Finland's Maginot Line.

These sharp boulders of granite extend to both sides like monuments in a cemetery. It is with difficulty that our white car managed to slip through. These mile-long barbed-wire barricades seem to sing.

In Underground Casemates

We are treated to the first-class fare of the Finnish soldier down in one of the casemates, one of the many concrete bomb-proof places ten to fifteen metres down in Karelian soil. Here the soldiers we have just visited hold the front-line are camped. As we arrive, the men who stood the night watches, throw themselves on the edges of their bunks. They are enjoying the coffee and a smoke after their noonday meal. It is comfortable and warm in this place, after a night of more than 40 degrees below zero and a wind which penetrates to our very bones as it comes in cold gusts from Lake Ladoga across the country towards the Finnish Gulf. I spoke with these men of various ages, people from different strata of society and from separate districts brought together by a hard fate here on the eastern boundary of the North in their bitter defence for Finland's independence. There is no trace of the romance of the trenches amongst them, if we may use such an expression. If one may mention a special distinguishing characteristic in connection with the Finnish soldiers here on the Karelian Isthmus, it must be the purely sportsmanlike view, in the best sense of that word, which predominates concerning their mutual tasks. There are no slackers amongst them. And then this calm, these controlled reactions of the Finns in this the worst of all wars of nerves, the war itself. The only thing which sometimes may be lacking is sleep, specially when the Russian shells are bursting at frequent intervals, or when the sharp crackle of rifles convey the message that their comrades are active. For the moment they are amusing themselves over a supply of Russian editions of the small multiplication table, which they have discovered in a wrecked lorry in No Man's Land.

Today no less than 30 shells exploded immediately outside their "parlour-door"—this is rather a loud form of cradle-song.

Ready for Gas Attack

We continue on our way. In the most exposed places soldiers have their gas masks ready for instant use. This is also the case with those who are working on the constant reinforcement of the defence lines. They are always prepared for any eventuality. Suddenly we come across an anti-aircraft battery placed in one of the shell craters which the enemy has kindly provided in a suitable spot. It is quite impossible to distinguish the soldiers from the snow, even at a short distance. They wear long, white cloaks and even their steel helmets are white painted. There is no air attack today. The fog is too heavy. But everything is ready, both the men at the telephones and the listening posts function night and day.

Some distance away we can still see the flames from the ruins of the Finnish farms which were set on fire to under cover of the heavy snowfall last night. The enemy is not going to find any advantages even if he succeeds in reaching this place. In a part of the forest where the shells are regularly whining past the soldiers are calmly and quietly cutting wood. We arrive at one of the clearing hospitals which we had not visited earlier. There are not many seriously wounded here. Seven or eight men are lying on wooden couches in a school room. In the gymnasium a young man is being operated on after a serious shrapnel wound. All others who are more seriously wounded have been moved farther away from the danger zone to hospitals where they can receive more quiet attention. Later on we pass a few more wounded. Sometimes there may be four or five busloads during one night, the field surgeon tells us.

In a Finnish bath-house we found seven Russian prisoners brought in from the battle yesterday. This turns out to be an infinitely sad experience. The seven men all from the Leningrad district, men between the ages of 18 and 28, were in a condition of extreme exhaustion. Starved and frost-bitten, they surrendered to a Finnish watch patrol and were assisted into this shelter. Their boots are without soles, they wear cotton underwear and their uniforms are of the poorest quality, baggy khaki coatees and trousers stuffed with cotton were dangling about their feet like wet rags after three consecutive days and nights out in the snow. Their clothes had soaked up water like blotting paper.

With the Russian-speaking correspondent of the "Christian Science Monitor" acting as interpreter they gave us a brief description of their fate: On September 7 they were mobilized and sent off without knowing where, on "manœuvres." They arrived at a point west of Leningrad where after a while they were informed that an enemy people, the Finns, had commenced to attack their country. Their political commissars then told them that their task was to drive the Finnish army out from the Soviet Union, and they had not the faintest idea of the fact that they had crossed the border and the whole time had stood on Finnish territory.

They naturally praised the food and clothing and the treatment which they had received from the Finns, and they maintained that if their distressed comrades knew what sort of food they could get in Finland they would all come over. One of them even asked if he could be permitted to bring his family along. This conversation with the prisoners was extremely depressing. The poor Russians were obviously entirely bewildered as to the world where they had arrived. One need not be a expert to see that such military personnel is anything but first-class. Even in great masses they can never become anything else but objects of slaughter, and one must ask oneself what sort of conscience the rulers of Russia really possess towards these people whom in the first instance they ought to "protect."

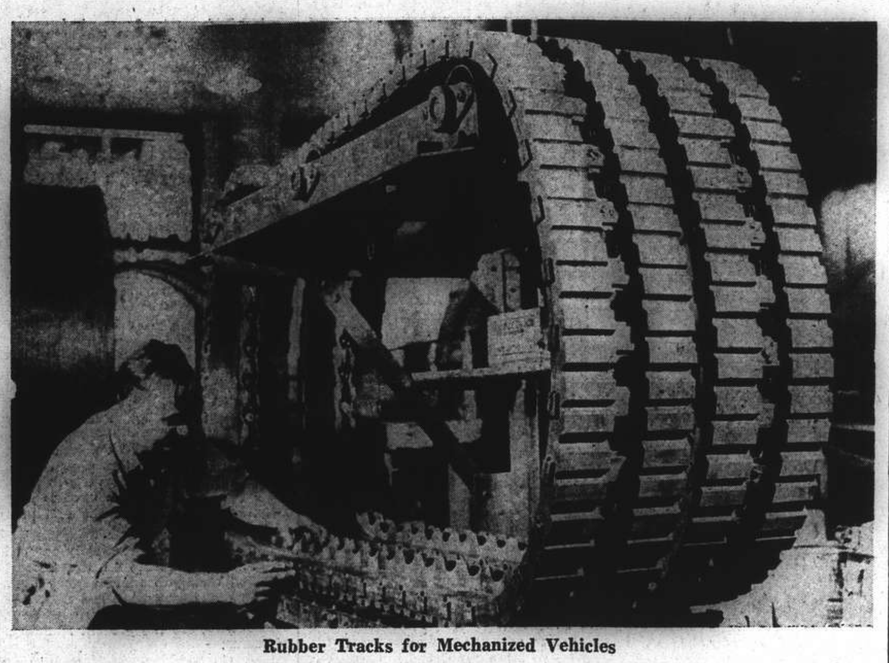
Finnish Voice to Russian Soldiers

Out in No Man's Land stands a Finnish loud-speaker. When opportunity presents itself, in the interval between the Russian bombardments, the liberty-loving Finns speak to those on the other side of the front. They endeavour to tell them the truth as it really is, and to explain that Finland harbours no evil intentions towards the Russian Soviet Republics, and that both nations will be best served by settling their differences peacefully. The loud-speaker is busy today, and specially in the evenings when the Russian soldiers huddle together in the snow, without as much as a camp-fire by which to warm themselves, they hear the Finnish voice in the dark of the night on the Karelian Isthmus.

One of the appeals is as follows:

"To the soldiers of the Red Army: cease the brutal assault which you have commenced against the people of Finland, turn back to your fields and other peaceful avocations, turn back and we shall do the same."

This is the message on the Karelian Isthmus today, ten days before Christmas.



Rubber Tracks for Mechanized Vehicles

This workman in the Goodrich factory in Akron, Ohio, is putting the finishing touches to the caterpillar "feet." These rubber treads are to replace wheels and tires. With the rubber tracks, armoured mechanized units are expected to cover the roughest terrain at faster speeds than those equipped with the present steel shoes.

Soviet-Japan Trade Talks Continue

Counter-proposals Said to Have Been Submitted

Moscow, Jan. 16.

The Soviet Union presented the Japanese Ambassador to Moscow its counter-proposals for a Russo-Japanese trade treaty during the second trade conference between the two countries here in less than a week.

The draft of the Soviet counter-proposals were handed to the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Shigenori Togo, by the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Trade, M. Anastas Mikoyan. Mr. Shiko Matsushima, Japanese Minister to Sweden who has been aiding Mr. Togo in the negotiations, also was present at the conference.

The Japanese were understood to have promised to forward the Russian proposals to Tokyo. The Russian draft of the projected treaty was drawn up after the Japanese had presented the Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Viacheslav Molotov, with the Japanese proposals last week.—United Press.

Croats Pledge Loyalty To Yugoslavia

Zagreb, Jan. 16.

An address formally proclaiming Croat allegiance to the Yugoslav monarchy was made by Vice-Premier Vladimir Matchek, Croat leader, today on the occasion of an official visit to Zagreb, chief Croat city, by Prince Paul, Regent of Yugoslavia, and Princess Olga. The royal visitors arrived here at 3.30 p.m. today.—Havas.

Mr. Wang's New Government

Delay in Formation Ascribed to His Firmness Regarding Japanese Proposals; N. China Status

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Peiping, Jan. 10.

THE delay, now of nearly one year's duration, in setting up the new government in China is, as is generally believed, due to certain divergences of view between Mr. Wang Ching-wei and his Japanese military supporters. At different times these differences have been ascribed to a number of various reasons. But stripped of all the outward trappings of official pronouncements and newspaper propaganda, the two main difficulties still remaining, which are holding up the proclamation of the new central government appear to be Mr. Wang's demand for the withdrawal of the Japanese forces from Chinese soil and his unwillingness to concede a special status to certain portions of Chinese territory, such as Inner Mongolia and north China.

On the question of the withdrawal of the Japanese forces from China no Japanese government is likely to be able to give way, for purely practical considerations, quite apart from the necessity of preserving the face of the Japanese army. For it is difficult to believe that in a square fight between Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, without the intervention of the Japanese army, the former would have a ghost of a chance. One has only to remember what has been happening in China during the last quarter of a century.

If the Japanese army were withdrawn, the situation in China would revert to that existing at the time of the civil wars, when the Nationalists were attempting to unite the country. During the whole of that period any side, that was even suspected of enjoying Japanese backing, invariably went under in the long run. How much more would that be the case today, after what China has gone through during the last 30 months? It is, therefore, fairly certain that, whatever else may be agreed upon, Mr. Wang Ching-wei will have to make up his mind to swallow the bitter pill of continued Japanese military occupation of China. No doubt the Japanese will try and gild this bitter pill by agreeing to restrict their occupation to certain strategic points and by giving vague assurances of complete withdrawal in the far distant future.

More Delicate Problem

The other point, that of the future status of north China and Inner Mongolia, is a more delicate problem, owing to the strong antagonisms it has aroused behind the scenes in Japanese military and governmental circles. It is true that officially and publicly the Japanese military authorities in North China have given their blessing to the formation of a new central government for the whole of China under Wang Ching-wei.

They could scarcely have done less. Nor is it really anything more than lip service. For they hasten to add that, after all, the establishment of a central government does not necessarily preclude "a certain degree of autonomy for north China." Why, even in the bad old days of the Nanking Government, did not north China enjoy a special semi-autonomous status, when its government was called the "Political Council of North China?" One thing, anyhow, is quite certain: the special position of North China and Inner Mongolia as the private preserves of certain sections of the Japanese army will be maintained at all costs.

There has been much talk recently of the question being settled by a compromise; but it is difficult to see what kind of compromise could solve the problem to the satisfaction of both parties. On the one hand, the military clique in north China would resist to the utmost any attempt to whittle away their authority and control over north China. On the other hand, if, in addition to being forced to agree to continued Japanese military occupation, a concession that in itself is likely to greatly weaken the prestige of his new government, Mr. Wang has also got to relinquish direct control of large portions of the "occupied territory" of China, the new government will in actual fact be little more than another local puppet government.

Conference To Be Held

Once again reports are being put about that the delegates of the various regional governments are to hold a final joint meeting at either Tsingtao or Shanghai, in order to settle "outstanding details" regarding their position towards the new central government. And the Japanese Press has been proclaiming, for the n-th time, that the inauguration of the Wang Ching-wei government is really and truly going to take place very shortly, and therewith the establishment of the "New Order in East Asia" and the so-fervently desired peace.

It is, therefore, very interesting to note that, just at this moment, in circles close to the local provisional government, rumours are circulating in Peiping to the effect that certain members of the local government object so strongly to the idea of a control government that they have threatened to resign. There is probably not the slightest truth in these rumours. Members of the so-called puppet governments do not resign; at best, they are dismissed. But the fact that rumours of this kind are going about is interesting, as shewing clearly which way the wind is blowing in these parts.

It is, therefore, probably no exaggeration to say that this one question, of the status of north China, is causing the Tokyo Government more headaches at the moment that all its other problems put together.

In general, it may be remarked that in Japanese quarters there appear to exist two entirely different opinions regarding the Wang Ching-wei government. There is the view given out by the Japanese Press, for home consumption: that the establishment of the new government is now assured and that it will bring about the final solution of the China Incident.

No Optimistic View

On the other hand, in Japanese military circles, specially among the men on the spot, no such optimistic view is taken. These gentlemen are by no means so sure that the Wang Ching-wei government is going to be a success. At the same time they are quite definite that the Japanese army will never agree to the existence of two separate governments in China: one at Chungking under Gen. Chiang Kai-shek and one at Nanking under Mr. Wang. No peace they believe, is possible on those lines.

They themselves frankly admit that they have their doubts whether, in any case, the mere establishment of a new central government will put an end to the China Incident. But their chief hope would seem to be that, once he has set up his government, he will be able to win over a majority of the members of the Chungking Government to his side.

Should, however, Mr. Wang Ching-wei fail, they will still not be disheartened; for they explain airily, "We have other strings to our bow." Though what these other strings are, they are not in a position to divulge. Wishful thinking was ever one of the weaknesses of these gentlemen. If, however, these somewhat contradictory views of the Japanese military party are correct, it would appear that the end of the Sino-Japanese hostilities is about as far off as it ever was.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Brisbane, Dec. 10.

The war, with all its ramifications, is still spreading itself in incorrigible fashion over all the principal pages of the Australian newspapers. Even the national pastime, racing, seems to be getting far less of a spread than it merits. The first Australian shot of the war has been fired but it pans out to be far less than imagined on reading the news story. Port Darwin on the northern coast is the scene of the incident. It appears that a pearling lugger, making for port, refused to heave to when ordered, so a 6-inch shell was fired across her bow. The vessel stopped, was examined and allowed to proceed.

The master of the lugger said that he did not recognize the examining boat which ordered the ship to halt and so continued. The master was Japanese. Queried, he said he didn't understand.

Much more dramatic is the unmasking of a spy in Sydney. A crumpled piece of paper with a jumble of figures and letters was found in his office by a businessman. He gave the paper to the military intelligence officers who, in three days, broke the code. The message was an accurate survey of the dispositions and lines of fire at one of the most important points of the coastal defences of Australia.

The trail fed to an elderly woman, keeper of a boarding house, who had left the coat in the office. It had been left by a boarder, but she could supply only the haziest of details about the guest who had left. It was enough though for the intelligence officers who found persons with better memories. The news story then concludes in bold type: Official action followed quickly.

Pay for Troops Overseas

There was recently quite a to-do about the pay for the troops to proceed overseas as it was found that they were to receive less than the militia who are to remain behind. This, which threatened the Federal Government with the possibility of an election, has been ironed out and the Australian Imperial Forces will as privates, receive five shillings a day with deferred pay of two shillings daily from the date of embarkation. The militia will get eight shillings only during the three months they are in camp with five shillings otherwise. For the militia training is compulsory. The first drafts will go to camp this month.

The political surprise of the year was provided by the Acting Treasurer of the Federal Government, Mr. Spender, when he introduced a revised budget for the year, which made no provision at all for increased direct taxation. The rise in the current year's defence and war programme from £59,500,000 to more than £62,000,000 would be largely provided for, he stated by £46,181,000 to be from loans.

A small tariff schedule, complementary to the budget, increased Customs duties on films and an excise duty on shale oil would, he declared, give an additional £150,000 before June 30, the end of the fiscal year.

Petrol, however, has gone up by a gallon. The prices are 2/1½s. for super grades, 2/0½s. for ordinary grades and 2s. a gallon for alcohol blend. Mineral lubricating oil has been increased sixpense a gallon for high-grade motor oils, fourpence a gallon for high-grade industrial oils and threepence a gallon for other lubricating oils.

Ban on Super Grades

Hundreds of thousands of Australian motorists who have been using super-grade petrol will soon have to transfer to ordinary grades as the Acting Minister for Supply and Development, Sir Frederick Stewart, has announced that as soon as tankers loading and en route are discharged, the ban on import of this gas will go into operation.

This action was motivated, he stated, because of the great demand for high octane aviation spirit which was reducing the supply available for other purposes. It would also help the Empire supply of aviation spirit, save tankers and economize storage capacity both at the seaboard and inland.

No more shipments of highly specialized imports will be landed in Australia until after the war from such countries as Czechoslovakia and Finland, it is learned. A leading wholesaler in Sydney it is some time since he received the last shipment of Czech jewellery.

In twelve months, he declared, he had sold 1,000 gross of earrings made of paste brilliant set in metal and and ranging in price from 1s. to 16s. Bracelets and necklets of beautiful chrome finish would be missing from wrists and throats for the months to come, he said. These articles had been pouring into the country, even after the German occupation of Czechoslovakia, but the European war had dammed the stream completely.

On account of mines in the Gulf of Finland and the Baltic it is some months since wood and pulp articles from Finland have been landed except for one shipment which came through Norway and England. This circuitous route added so much to the price that import had to be discontinued.

Despite the war cricket still holds the same place in the hearts of the Australians as before. The Queensland team, at the time of writing, is in the south where in the Sheffield Shield matches it will play elevens from Victoria, South Australia and Sydney.

New Bird of Paradise

Of milder note is the discovery of a new bird of paradise in New Guinea which is distinguished for its unusual notes which have the sound of a pneumatic rivetter at work. The bird's tail is also uncommon. A specimen of the bird has been received at the Australian Museum, Sydney, and it has been named McNicholl's ribbon-tailed bird of paradise, after the Administrator of New Guinea, Sir Walter McNicholl. For its size the bird possesses the longest tail of any known to wild life. The body is only about nine inches long but the tail, consisting mainly of two white plumes, is three feet in length.

The male bird is highly attractive. It has a brown body and brown wings with throat and head of metallic green. At the upper base of the bill there is a large tuft of feathers shot with green while a fiery copper band runs across the chest. The female is a plain brown bird, and ornithologists in Sydney are trying to deduce something from this, but what it is has not at the moment been decided.

THE head office of the Central Trust of China has been moved to Kunming, capital of Yunnan, says a Hongkong message to the "Ta Wan Pao."

Air-Marshal Barratt Takes New Post

R.A.F. in France Unific Under Single Command

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 15.

Air-Marshal A. S. Barratt took over his duties as Air Officer Commanding the British Air Force in France today. His first official act was to sign an Order of the Day announcing that the British Air Forces were united into one command.

"The one ideal that inspires us is to do our utmost to win the war. We will work wing-tip to wing-tip with the Allied armies to bring the war to a speedy and decisive conclusion," he declared.

As leader of Great Britain's air effort in France against the Nazis, Air Marshal Barratt will be answerable immediately to Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril Newall, Chief of the Air Staff. His appointment, a sequel of the ever-growing strength of Britain's air arm in France, is welcomed by all ranks of the British Air Force.—Reuter.

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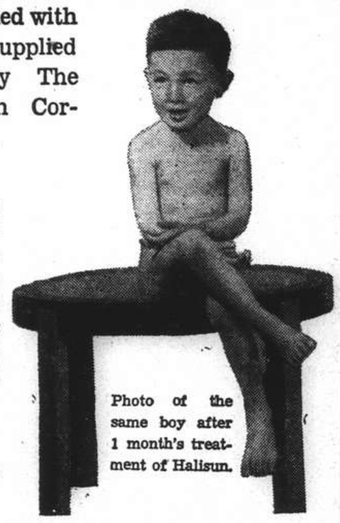

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Marines to Have 3rd Chance To Overcome Seaforths

Rugger Rivals to Meet Sunday; Club's First Fifteen to Test Tung Wen University

A FOUR-GAME schedule of rugby for the coming Saturday and Sunday afternoons is in store for local enthusiasts of the handling code who should be assured of witnessing some interesting and high-class football. The senior fifteen of the Club, Seaforth Highlanders, U.S. Marines and Tung Wen University, among others, will be seen out and some close tussles are likely to result. First and foremost in a fine programme is the third encounter between the Seaforths and the Marines, which will take the spotlight on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. In the previous engagements, the Scots won once and were held to a draw in the other so that this meeting will still not decide which is the better team in the event of their going down to defeat.

Naturally the hard-playing "leathernecks" will be out to prove to the Jocks that the first and second encounters were not true indications of the sides but the Scots, on the other hand, will do their utmost to show their friendly rivals that the result of the initial game can be repeated. As things are at present it is doubtful whether fifteen will be at full strength for it is known that a number of the Highlanders are suffering from injuries sustained in recent matches while the Marines are in the same plight.

Another important factor that may make a great deal of clifference to the fortunes of the competing teams is the weather. The rainy season seems to have set in and if the pitch is caked with slimy mud next Sunday it is most difficult to predict with success what will happen. In any case the Marine pack is more than likely to attempt to put a stranglehold on their opponents with their vigorous style of play and the Seaforths will have to show better form than they have in recent matches to hold the American scrummagers. This phase of the game is likely to be the deciding factor and though the Highlander backs are more rugby wise than their opponents they will have to be extremely smart to break through what has time and time again proved to be an almost air-tight defence.

If the Scots can get their share of the ball from the tight and loose they stand an excellent chance of winning, but the Marines, with their advantage in weight, height and speed coupled with the deadly kicking of "Never Miss" Davis will, in all probability, despite all predictions to the contrary, continue their recent long run of successes.

On Saturday at 3 p.m. in the more important game of the day the Club 1st XV will oppose Tung Wen University. This match will be an acid test for the clever little Japanese who, until they met defeat at the end of December at the hands of the Police, had been recording mammoth scores. They did the same last week against a rather depleted Club 2nd side, but whether they can repeat their performance this week remains to be seen. In speed they have it all over the Club, but it is doubtful whether their forwards will secure the ball as often as has been their wont despite the fact that they pack some two-foot lower than most sides. They will probably use their customary New Zealand formation which gives them three halves at the expense of a forward, but they have shown that a heavier side that tackles well and first time will spoil even their best attacks. Still it is interesting to learn that during the past two months in Hongkew Park they have twice defeated the crack Shanghai Nipponjin side and any fifteen that can do that must be rated as more than useful in this part of the world.

The Club make two changes, Brown replacing Thomas and March coming in for Gammie. The two new players are being given their chance in this encounter which will rate for the Club players as an interport trial. The Club, if they play as they did in spasms against the Marines last week, will be a difficult team to beat, but little difference is anticipated in the final score.

At 2.30 p.m. on Saturday the Seaforths 2nd XV engage a combined Club/Area Details side. The Scots, undefeated this season, will play hard to continue their run of successes

Honours Even in Badminton

Country Club and C.S.F. Each Overwhelm Junior Rival Teams

The senior teams of the C.S.F. and the Country Club had a gala day in the Ladies' Doubles Division of the Badminton League yesterday when they encountered the junior sides of the rival clubs and in both cases the first-stringers triumphed by nine games to nil. In addition, the "A" teams were not too extended as they played on home courts and only three or four isolated games went to any length.

The C.S.F. "A" were well served by their leading couple of Mrs. Wolfe and Mrs. Arnold-Jones, who were able to dispose of Mrs. Finch and Miss Burton without much difficulty, though the losers made a fine effort in the last game to lose by only 10-15. The second match, however, was an indisputable victory for Mrs. Tavares and Mrs. Hubbard.

In an evening of one-sided matches, the encounter between the combination of Mrs. Blandy and Mrs. McKinnon of the French Club, and Miss McNicoll and Miss Stranack was the only one which may be called a closely contested tussle. The Country Club players were unfortunate when they lost by 15-4, 15-13, 15-14.

At the Country Club, the home seniors did not encounter much danger and won each of their games by clear-cut margins. Playing as No. 1 couple, Mrs. Burton and Miss Holwill eliminated Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Trolle by 15-11, 15-4, 15-1.

The following two matches proved to be no more troublesome for the Country Club players as they romped home to even more one-sided scores with Mrs. Mirams pairing with Mrs. Maxtead to score the easiest match of the evening when they dropped only 10 points in three games.

Detailed results follow:—

C.S.F. "A" 9; Country Club "B" 0

Mrs. Wolfe and Mrs. Arnold-Jones beat Mrs. Finch and Miss Burton, 15-4, 15-4, 15-10.

Mrs. Tavares and Mrs. Hubbard beat Mrs. Seddon and Mrs. Bryan, 15-6, 15-4, 15-7.

Mrs. Blandy and Mrs. McKinnon beat Miss McNicoll and Miss Stranack, 15-4, 15-13, 15-14.

Country Club "A" 9; C.S.F. "B" 0

Mrs. Burton and Miss Holwill beat Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Trolle, 15-11, 15-4, 15-1.

Mrs. Maitland and Mrs. Cox beat Mrs. Popple and Mrs. Perkins, 15-6, 15-4, 15-2.

Mrs. Mirams and Mrs. Maxtead beat Mrs. Richards and Miss Horsky, 15-4, 15-1, 15-5.

Undefeated Local Champions

The Erin Villa basketball team who have just completed their fixtures in the Reid League without suffering a single defeat. Standing.—Mary McEwan, Ruth Riege, Lilia Oliveira, Dorothy Quelch and Athalia Waller. Sitting.—Lois Ellis (capt.), Priscilla Remedios, and Edith Sullivan.

122-Bowler Scores 299

Here's a lesson to Shanghai's bowlers not to give up hopes of shooting a high game. Bud Clayman, a 122-average bowler of Spokane, Washington, was recently awarded the American Bowling Congress silver ring for bowling a 299 game.

All Dressed Up With No Place to Go

Here is the United States Ryder Cup team recently selected by the Professional Golf Association Committee. But owing to the war, no dates of competition have been arranged against any British team. Left to right: Victor Ghezzi of Deal, N.J.; Ralph Guldahl of Madison, N.J.; Jimmy Hines of Great Neck, L.I.; Dick Metz of Chicago, Ill.; Harold McSpaden of Winchester, Mass.; Paul Runyan of White Plains, N.Y.; Horton Smith of Chicago, Ill.; Snead of White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.; Henry Picard of Hershey, Pa. National P.G.A. champion; Byron Nelson of Reading, Pa., U.S. Open champion.

Race Club Trounce Oarsmen

Wade Wins Tremendous Struggle Against Carson; Rowing Club Lose to Foreign Y.M.C.A.

THE Race Club and Foreign Y.M.C.A. lengthened their lead over the two Rowing Club teams in the quash rackets league yesterday, both teams defeating their opponents by four matches to one. The Race Club now stand well in the lead as the Y.M.C.A. lost their match against the Oarsmen last week and it would seem they are well on the way to retaining possession of the league trophy which they won last year.

At the Rowing Club courts the Race Club defeated the Oarsmen yesterday by four matches to one, R. B. Gotch being the only member of the Oarsmen to win his match, while at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. the home team emerged successful over the Rowing Club by a similar score, C. S. Kimber being the only member of the visiting team to win his match. Next week's match between the Race Club and the Foreign Y.M.C.A. will therefore decide the league title and the contest will be well worth seeing.

Wade Beats Carson

The best match of yesterday's contests was that between L. H. Wade of the Race Club and L. D. Carson of the Oarsmen, Wade running out winner by 10-8, 9-7, 7-9, 6-9, 9-7 after a long and hardfought struggle, both players having used some particularly good shots. It was a grand game to watch and the standard of play was high. Carson's hard and crisp hitting and drives to the corners interspersed by his boast shots off the side walls, also executed with hard shots, showed up in marked contrast to Wade's softer placements, the latter eventually being more accurate than his opponent and winning the day.

Another fine game was seen when R. B. Gotch of the Oarsmen defeated J. W. Pote-Hunt 9-3, 9-4, 6-9, 9-5, the former being very accurate with his drop shots and showing up satisfactorily against his younger and more active opponent who was made to do most of the running. Pote-Hunt played well in the third game to win, but Gotch recovered command of the play in the fourth and won fairly comfortably.

E. B. Cumine made a good return to form by beating H. Martyn Snow in four games and M. Benavitch proved too good for W. M. Portrude. R.D. Parkin played a good game to defeat R.S.L. Frewen in four games, Frewen winning the second game but being unable to continue in winning vein.

At the Foreign Y.M.C.A. courts the home team proved too strong for the visiting Rowing Club side and D. Green set a good example to his side by winning in three games to one from W. Neugebauer. Green was very accurate with his drop shots and scored repeatedly, although Neugebauer took the initiative and won the first game fairly comfortably. Thereafter it was a hard struggle with Green well in command of the situation.

The longest match of those at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. was that between R. Berglof and H. G. Fabian which the former won by 1-9, 10-8, 10-8 9-10, 9-0. The contest took over an hour to complete and three out of five games went to 8-8 with a play-off of the two extra points required to take the score to game. Berglof's hard hitting proved more satisfactory than Fabian's cross court shots and the contest was marked by some very long rallies.

Baker Does Well

T. E. Baker did extremely well to dispose of G. W. Morris in four games, Morris taking the first game but failing to win the other three. Baker's placements on this occasion were highly satisfactory and Morris's consistent hard hitting into the far corners did not produce winning shots enough to earn him a lead in points.

M. Ginsbourg played a very fine allround game to defeat A. C. Sinclair in three games and C. S. Kimber was the only member of the Rowing Club side to win.

The complete scores were:

Race Club 4, Oarsmen 1

L. H. Wade defeated L. D. Carson, 10-9, 9-7, 7-9, 6-9, 9-7.
J. W. Pote-Hunt lost to R. B. Gotch, 3-9, 4-9, 9-6, 5-9.
E. B. Cumine defeated H. Martyn Snow, 9-2, 9-3, 7-9, 9-1.
M. Benavitch defeated W. M. Portrude, 10-8, 9-3, 9-5.
R. D. Parkin defeated R. S. L. Frewen, 9-4, 3-9, 9-2, 9-5.

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D. Green defeated W. Neugebauer, 2-9, 10-9, 9-7, 9-6.
R. Berglof defeated H. G. Fabian, 1-9, 10-8, 10-8, 9-10, 9-0.
T. E. Baker defeated G. W. Morris, 4-9, 9-3, 9-1, 9-2.
S. Ginsbourg defeated A. C. Sinclair, 9-0, 10-8, 9-3.
J. L. Berglof lost to C. S. Kimber, 7-9, 9-7, 9-10, 9-7, 1-9.

Interport Changes To Be Discussed

Women's Week-end Hockey Arrangements

There will be a meeting of the Shanghai Ladies Hockey Association at the Y.W.C.A. tomorrow evening at 5.30 p.m. Among the important things to discuss will be the matter of the Interport Match against Hongkong.

The local Association only two days ago received an invitation from the Colony asking the local Association to send a team down during the Chinese New Year holidays, for last year Hongkong visited Shanghai. The prospects, however, are none too bright owing to the cost of transportation and other expenses.

Meanwhile, the fixtures for this week-end were announced yesterday. Only one League match in the "A" Division will take place when In Uno play Associacao das Senhoras Portuguesas on Saturday at the Race Course. Two friendly games will be played. The Shanghai Ladies are to clash with the Greens at Kiaochow Park while Erin Villa "A" will tangle with the Amazons on the former's ground at the Race Course.

Sunday is confined to three matches in the "B" Division. The complete list of games follows:—

Saturday

"A" Division.—2.30 p.m. A.S.P. v. In Uno, R.C. 4.
Friendly Games.—2.45 p.m. Greens v. S.L.H.C., Kiaochow; 2.45 p.m. Erin Villa "A" v. Amazons, E.V.

Sunday

"B" Division.—2.15 p.m. S.J.S. v. J.R.C., R.C 4.; 3.25 p.m. Betar v. J.A.C., R.C. 4.; 2.45 p.m. Erin Villa "B" v. Sokols, E.V.

Fixtures

Saturday

3 S.R.U.F.C. 1st XV v. Tung Wen. Referee: G. D. Nicholl.
2.30 Club/Area Details v. Seaforths 2nd XV. Referee: W. J. Richmond.

Sunday

3 Seaforths 1st XV v. U.S.M.C. 1st XV. Referee: G. S. Dunkley.
2.30 Japanese Civilian 2nd XV v. Police. Referee: D. W. Leach.

Club Teams

CLUB 1ST XV.—W. N. Dickson, S. J. Ward, A. P. D. Kennedy, B. R. Brown, J. W. M. Martin, I. F. Aucott, J. B. Dickinson, R. A. O. Mayne, R. U. Heynolds, J. D. Sayle, W. D. Pearson, F. March, S. A. Wallace, M. O. Liddell, P. B. Tay.

CLUB 2ND XV.—W. P. Hetherington, B. A. St. Louis, O. P. Edwards, K. Okimoto, R. S. L. Frewen, A. Thomas, L. R. St. Louis, J. W. Chapman, J. B. Blaikie, D. M. Wheeler, E. P. Morphew, W. V. K. Chadwick and three Area Detail players.

Club players unable to turn out as selected are requested to inform Mr. W. D. Pearson to this effect not later than 5 p.m. Friday (Tel. 11430) in order that arrangements may be made for their replacement.

Italy to Continue Motor Racing

Lack of Foreign Support Inevitable

Rome, Jan. 16.

The only European country likely to see any serious motor racing in 1940 is Italy. The programme for the year has already been announced.

With Britain, France and Germany all engaged in warfare, Italy will have a clear field. Their sport will be affected, however, by the lack of foreign competition. The Italian races will be national affairs, and nothing more.

One of the most interesting features of the Italian programme is the reorganization of the famous Mille Miglia. Hitherto this event has been decided over a thousand-mile course over public roads, but now it is to be run on a closed circuit of 100 miles, which competitors will have to lap ten times. The event is to be known as the Grand Prix of Brescia for the Mille Miglia Cup.

Italy will no doubt take advantage of the war period to increase their already great efficiency in motor racing, and the other countries after a gap may find themselves a long way behind in the sport.—Reuter.

Belgium Wants British Ice-Hockey Team

London, Jan. 16.

The British Ice Hockey Association has received a request from Belgium that a team from England should be sent to play matches at Liege, Brussels and Antwerp.

"We should be delighted to accept," said Mr. Ahearne, secretary of the B.I.H.A., "but we shall have to inquire first of all whether the authorities would allow us to send a team."—Reuter.

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"Y" Cubs	4	1	.800
U.S.M.C. Reds	4	1	.800
Paramount	3	1	.750
U.D. Club	3	1	.750
U.S.M.C. Officers	3	3	.500
Wu Tsing	2	2	.500
Union	1	4	.200
Wasps	1	4	.200
Moore Memorial Church	1	5	.166
Chain	0	6	.000

B Division

"Y" Giants	6	0	1.000
Shanghai Bank	3	1	.750
Kwang Shih	2	1	.666
Cloud	3	2	.600
Woo Kwang	2	2	.500
Aurora University	1	3	.250
Ran May	0	3	.000
Killers	0	5	.000

P.T.H. Going Up In League

Only Change Caused by Week-end Soccer Games; Cochran High Scorer

The only change in the standing of the First Division of the Shanghai Football Association League caused by the past week-end's games was the rise of Public Thomas Hanbury. The School eleven are now tied with Association Sportive Francaise and Saint Francis Xavier in the number of points gained.

Lido are still unbeaten and lead the Surreys, who are second, by six points. The Seaforths and Shanghai Recreation Club, having played one game more than the Londoners, are next in rank.

Two games are still outstanding in the first round of the competition. The League-leading Lido XI will meet the Surreys while S.F.X. have to play Tung Hwa to complete the first part of the season's fixtures.

Area Details are practically assured of the championship in the Second Division owing to their victory over Jewish Recreation Club last Saturday by a highly convincing score of 5-2.

Following are the present standings of teams:—

First Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	GF.	GA.	Pts.
Lido	9	9	0	0	35	12	18
Surreys	9	5	2	2	39	23	12
Seaforths	10	6	0	4	32	24	12
S.R.C.	10	5	2	3	31	28	12
S.F.X.	9	5	0	4	31	22	10
A.S.F.	10	5	0	5	34	31	10
P.T.H.	10	4	2	4	26	36	10
Tung Hwa	9	4	0	5	24	29	8
Lusitano	10	2	0	8	20	41	4
S.M.P.	10	0	0	10	15	41	0

Reserve Division

Lido	6	6	0	0	25	4	12
Surreys	6	4	2	0	20	8	10
Seaforths	6	3	3	0	16	6	9
S.F.X.	7	2	2	3	11	13	6
S.M.P.	7	2	2	3	16	22	6
S.R.C.	6	2	1	3	10	9	5
Tung Hwa	6	2	1	3	7	14	5
Lusitano	7	2	1	4	14	24	5
A.S.F.	7	1	2	4	11	16	4
P.T.H.	6	0	2	4	7	21	2

Second Division

Area Details	5	5	0	0	32	7	10
French Forces	6	5	0	1	25	10	10
J.R.C.	5	4	0	1	33	8	8
Rowing Club	5	3	1	1	23	4	7
Parks	6	3	1	2	20	18	7
Ching Hwa	6	3	0	3	30	17	6
Sokol	6	3	0	3	19	11	6
Russ. Regt.	6	1	0	5	9	28	2
U.T. Party	5	0	0	5	11	31	0
J.A.C.	6	0	0	6	1	69	0

Third Division

Maccabi	8	7	1	0	36	9	15
Russ. Club	8	6	2	0	19	9	14
3 Cults.	7	6	1	0	28	8	13
Aurora	8	5	1	2	25	12	11
Xaverians	8	3	1	4	16	17	7
Betar	8	2	2	4	16	18	6
Judeans	8	3	0	5	14	19	6
Old West.	8	3	0	5	15	22	6
Oarsmen	8	3	0	5	9	22	6
Hotspurs	8	2	1	5	9	14	5
Tung Wen	8	1	1	6	5	30	3
R.A.M.C.	7	1	0	6	12	24	2

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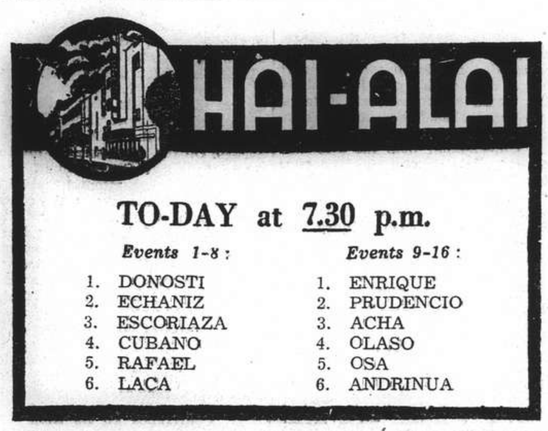

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London, Jan. 16.

It is stated at Oxford today that the University hopes to decide the Oxford-Cambridge boat race at Henley in the week beginning February 26. Cambridge won the race last year. The series stands in favour of the Light Blues, who have won the race 48 times against Oxford's 42 victories.—Reuter.

High Individual Honours

Honours for the highest individual scorer in the senior division go to Huff Cochran, who has amassed a total of sixteen goals since the beginning of the season. The P.T.H. centre-forward sometimes displayed rare shooting form, netting three or four goals in several games to help the School spring surprises over teams of higher calibre.

Roboostoff, the high-powered A.S.F. centre-forward, is next in rank with thirteen to his credit. Kinsella and Spiers, centre-forward of the Surreys and Seaforths respectively, each have scored a dozen times.

16	Cochran (P.T.H.)
13	Roboostoff (A.S.F.)
12	Kinsella (Surreys)
12	Spiers (Seaforths)
11	England (S.R.C.)
11	Karolitch (S.F.X.)
10	F. Foyn (S.F.X.)
9	V. K. Hyu (Lido)
8	K. H. Huang (Lido)
8	Parr (Surreys)
8	Bousset (A.S.F.)
7	McClarty (Surreys)
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Warfare Fails to Stop Sports in Germany

Full Programme of Winter Events Announced

Berlin, Jan. 16.

A big winter sports programme for Germany is announced by the German official news agency.

The biggest event will be the championships of the German Army at St. Anton in the Austrian Tyrol on March 17 and 18.

International events are advertised for Seefeld on January 29 and 30 and Innsbruck on February 4.

Other meetings arranged are ski-jumping at Kitzbuehel on February 14, the Zell-Am-See Spring Races on March 19, international slalom races at Innsbruck on March 24 and a downhill race on the Grossglockner on June 9.—Reuter.

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New Japanese Cabinet Takes Oath Before Emperor

Arrangement of New Treaty with U.S. Said to Be Urgent Task; Domestic Politics Demand Notice

London, Jan. 16.

WITH only ten days intervening before the expiration of the Japanese commercial treaty with the United States, the appointment of Admiral Mitsumasu Yonai as new Premier of Japan was believed here today as designed primarily to reach a provisional trade agreement with Washington.

It is known that Admiral Yonai opposes a Japanese alliance with Germany and Italy and is considered anti-totalitarian and friendlier toward the democracies than his recent predecessors, observers declared.

The change in Government is also meant to cope with domestic political difficulties, it was said, and to avert a vote of non-confidence by the Diet, which appeared certain for the Abe cabinet.

One of Admiral Yonai's principle tasks, it was declared, will be to attempt to relieve the shortage of rice in Japan. His China policy is identical to that of his predecessor, it was pointed out, and an early establishment of the new "Central Government" in China, under Mr. Wang Ching-wei, was anticipated.—United Press.

Minister Invested

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

Investiture of the Premier, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, and his Cabinet Ministers was conducted personally by the Emperor in the Palace at 11.30 o'clock this morning.

After the ceremony the Cabinet held its first meeting. It was decided to hold sessions every day for discussion of pressing questions, in view of the fact that little time remains before the Diet is to be reconvened next week.

Keeping in mind factors responsible for the resignation of the Abe Cabinet, the new Ministers gave

Mr. Yukio Sakurauchi

their attention to home affairs as well as to the settlement of the hostilities in China.

Because of the importance of home questions, Admiral Yonai assigned the portfolios of Minister of Finance, Minister of Commerce and Industry, and Minister of Agriculture and Forestry to leaders of the Minseito and Seiyukai, with a view to enlisting the support of the two major political parties.

Appointments Approved

Satisfaction was expressed over the appointments of Mr. Sotaro Ishiwata, capable ex-Finance Minister, as Chief Cabinet Secretary; Mr. Hachiro Arita as Foreign Minister, at a time when difficulties are looming in diplomatic negotiations with America and Russia; Mr. Shotatsu Kimura, as Minister of Justice; and Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, who had a distinguished career as Chief Cabinet Secretary and Director of the Investigation Bureau, as Minister of Public Welfare.

Admiral Yonai's action in appointing full-time Ministers, none of whom hold concurrent posts, met with general approval.

Admiral Yonai went to the Palace at 9.30 o'clock and presented to the Emperor the list of new Ministers.

The Premier was inducted into office in the presence of the Emperor at 10.30 o'clock. The ceremony was witnessed by Gen. Shunroku Hata, War Minister. Investiture of Admiral Yonai's Cabinet followed an hour later.

The New Ministers

Those who took the oath of office comprised: Mr. Hachiro Arita, Foreign Minister; Count Hideo Kodama, Home Minister; Mr. Yukio Sakurauchi, Finance Minister; Mr. Shotatsu Kimura, Minister of Justice; Mr. Chinjiro Matsuura, Minister of Education; Mr. Toshio Shimada, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, Mr. Ginjiro Fujiwara, Minister of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Masanori Katsu, Minister of Communications; Mr. Tsuruhei Matsuno. Minister of Railways; Gen. Kunaiki Koiso, Minister of Overseas Affairs; Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, Minister of Public Welfare; Gen. Shunroku Hata, Minister of War; Vice-Admiral Zengo Yoshida, Minister of Navy.

The last two Ministers retained the portfolios they held in the Cabinet of Gen. Nobuyuki Abe.

Following his investiture Admiral Yonai was placed on the retired list in conformity with naval service regulations.

Inflation Danger

Enforcement by the new Finance Minister, Mr. Yukio Sakurauchi, of measures to stabilize national wartime economic control and to prevent harmful inflation was forecast by financial circles today.

Financiers hailed the appointment of Mr. Sakurauchi as an excellent choice. He was expected to carry out the following measures: prevent inflation, trim the budget, increase purchasing power of the nation by encouraging savings, improve present policies regarding absorption of public loans without resort to compulsory subscription.

Mr. Sakurauchi, one of the leaders of the Minseito and former Minister of Commerce and Industry, and Agriculture and Forestry, was expected to act in accordance with the will of the people in executing wartime economic policies.

Although he was not regarded as an expert in the field of finance, there was no fear that he would adopt drastic measures likely to run counter to existing conditions.

Outside Support

Confidence in his ability was strengthened by the fact that he is supported by Mr. Chuji Machida, President of the Minseito. outside the Cabinet, and by such authorities on financial matters as Mr. Sotaro Ishiwata, Chief Cabinet Secretary and former Minister of Finance, and Mr. Masanori Katsu, Minister of Communications.

Mr. Sakurauchi was expected to present to the Diet at its coming session the budget compiled under the direction of the Abe Cabinet. Expenditures provided for in the new budget centred around requirements for settlement of the China hostilities and the national defence programme.

There was some speculation regarding methods the Finance Minister will employ to avoid possible adverse effects on living standards resulting from absorption of public loans.—Domei.

Diet Adjournment Sought

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

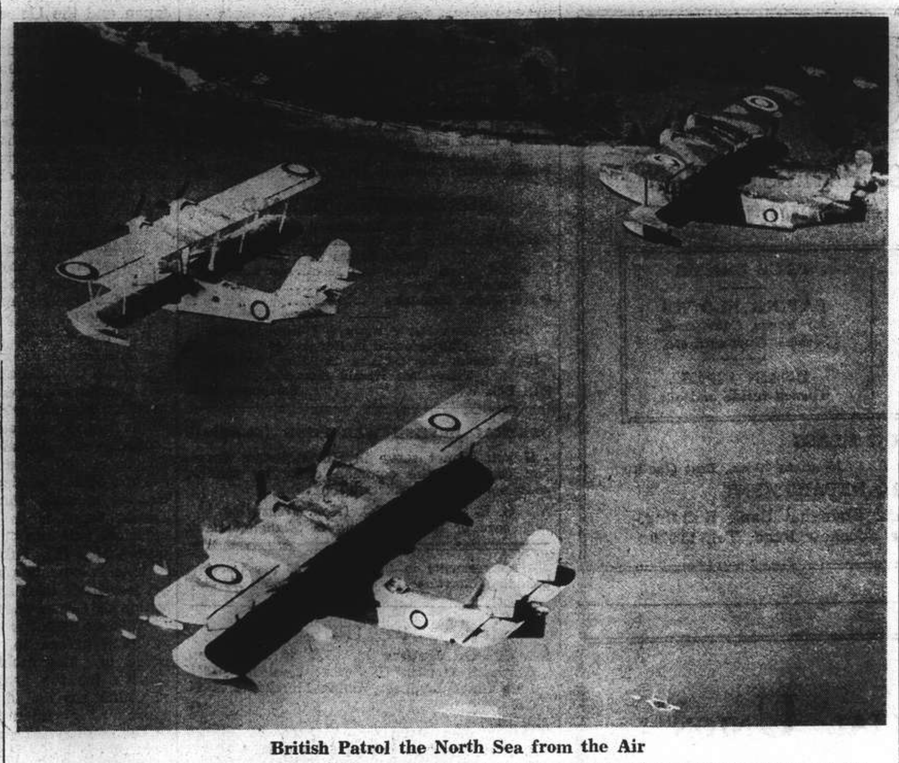
A ten-day adjournment of the Diet, due to reconvene on January 21 after the New Year's holidays, will be sought by the newly-installed Government, political circles indicated today.

Cabinet members were reported to have agreed that they would be able to face the Diet by February 1 at their first official meeting this morning.

The Government may order the progation of either the House of Peers or the Lower Chamber for not more than 15 days or a recess may be declared by either house at its own initiative. It was understood that the Government would seek to have the two Houses vote in favour of a recess.

This time will be needed, it was pointed out, for the Ministers to familiarize themselves with their duties.—Domei.

WHILST examining a gun in connection with the hearing of a claim for damages against the manufacturers by an electrical engineer who claimed £3,536 damage for the loss of a leg following a shooting accident in his room at Birmingham Assizes, Mr. Justice Lawrence was startled by the gun going off. The damages were awarded eventually against the manufacturers of the weapon.



British Patrol the North Sea from the Air

Three giant flying boats of the coastal command of the Royal Air Force pictured setting out on their daily patrol flight over the North Sea. These planes act as convoys, assisting destroyers in protecting merchantmen, and help in rescuing victims of German torpedoes and mines.

White House Support for U.S. Aid for Finns

Congress Leaders Consulted By President on Project

Washington, Jan. 16.

President Roosevelt will send a message to Congress in the form of letters to the Vice-President, Mr. John Nance Garner, and Mr. William Bankhead, Speaker of the House of Representatives, dealing with proposals to extend material aid to Finland, it was announced last night following a conference between Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Garner, Senator Alben Barkley, Democrat of Kentucky, Mr. Bankhead, and Mr. Sam Rayburn, Democrat of Texas.

It was not disclosed whether the message would make any specific recommendation. Mr. Stephen Early, White House spokesman, indicated that Mr. Roosevelt has decided to give White House support to the extension of assistance to Finland. The President assured him, he said, that he would discuss the question of "Finnish relief in an endeavour to reach some agreement to work out something. He wants something, I think, to give material relief."—United Press.

Message for Congress

Washington, Jan. 16.

President Roosevelt informed Congressional leaders yesterday that he would send a communication to Congress shortly on the extending of aid to Finland.

It is predicted that President Roosevelt will advise Congress that any United States' assistance to Finland should be confined to non-military assistance.

A Senate authority stated that President Roosevelt would discuss the question of an additional loan to Finland, through the Export and Import Bank, for non-military purchases in the United States.—Reuter.

Hongkong to Build Ships for Britain

Much Material to Come From Australia; Colony Has Good Facilities

Hongkong, Jan. 16.

It is understood here that negotiations are at present proceeding for the placing of a big shipbuilding order in Hongkong by the Government.

Contracts will be placed, it is believed, for at least four cargo ships, the work being shared by the Colony's main dockyards—the Taikoo and the Kowloon (Hongkong & Whampoa) Dockyards.

The exact tonnage of these projected vessels has not been announced, but it is understood that they will be slightly smaller than the 10,000-ton Glenorchy and Breconshire, the largest ships yet built in the Colony.

The ships will represent a real Empire effort, for the orders will come from Britain and much of the steel from Australia, while Hongkong will provide the labour.

At a launching here, the Chairman of the Kowloon Docks mentioned that the Colony had facilities for a much greater shipbuilding output than at present existed and could greatly assist in replacing Britain's war losses.

Hongkong gave this service in the last war, when at least six ships were built for Britain.—Reuter.

Opening of New Fur Store

With appropriate religious ceremony according to orthodox Russian custom the Fur Palace, 67 Nanking Road, an important new fur store, was opened yesterday afternoon. Two hundred guests attended the reception given by the proprietor, Mr. G. Kapustin, who is known as the "Fur King of the Far East" from his world-wide dealings in valuable skins. At a conservative estimate the exhibition of choice furs on display in the show windows yesterday afternoon were valued at $200,000.

Japanese Fishing Boat Wrecked on Guam

Survivors Expected to Be Taken to Saipan Isle

Washington, Jan. 16.

American naval authorities on Guam Island, 1,300 miles south of Yokohama, notified the Navy Department last night that the American minesweeper Penguin had rescued 24 crewmen from the Japanese fishing boat Daichi Saiso Maru which was wrecked yesterday on the south-east coast of Guam.

The report said the naval authorities at Guam had asked the Governor of Saipan Island for permission to take the survivors there. Saipan is a closely guarded Japanese island in which American military authorities have long been interested. The island is reported to be a fortified naval base and is only a few miles from Guam.

The incident centres American attention on the fact that the Japanese are believed to have fortified an island near Guam, which the United States Navy now proposes to fortify as an advance post in the far Pacific.

Observers here are watching with interest for the reply of the Japanese Governor of Saipan. If he refuses to permit the American ship to visit the island, some observers believe, Congressional circles will be led to conclude that the island has been heavily fortified.—United Press.

PRIVATE George Bunning, of Stamford, Lincs, St. John Ambulance Brigade, feels privileged to wear his fifteen years' long service efficiency medal back to front. Bunning claims he has a Royal right to do so, seeing that it was inadvertently pinned on in this unorthodox fashion by the Duchess of Gloucester when she inspected first-aid posts and personnel at Stamford Infirmary. The Duchess had a special smile of recognition for V.A.D. Lady Romayne Cecil, sister of Lord Burghley, whose wife is the Duchess's sister.

Germans May Get U.S. Goods via Siberia

Allied Control Measures to Be Tightened

Paris, Jan. 16.

Possibilities of the Germans running supplies across the Pacific to Vladivostok and other ports from America under the cash and carry system are not being lost sight of in Allied contraband control, which is tightening around all kinds of German vessels.

With regards to Russian oil supplies for Germany, it is understood that one route from Baku lies via the River Volga to Moscow and then by canal to Leningrad, whence the oil goes to Germany by sea.—Reuter.

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DEATHS

SHARP.—On January 12, 1940, at Dumbarton, Scotland, GEORGE C. SHARP, aged 60 years. Late Chief Engineer, China Merchants S. N. Co. -940

WILSON.—On January 14, 1940, at Ebford Barton Topsham, Devon, after a long illness, HELEN WILSON, wife of Alan Wilson, former Commissioner of C. M. Customs. 10287

CRANK.—On Tuesday, January 15, 1940, at the Shanghai General Hospital, DUNCAN ERNEST CRANK, aged 20 years, (Probationary Sergeant, Shanghai Municipal Police) the beloved youngest son of Mrs. B. Crank and the late Mr. G. Crank. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Thursday, January 18, at the Bubbling Well Cemetery, at 4 p.m.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. K. DRAZDIL wish to thank their friends for the messages of sympathy and for the beautiful floral tribute sent during their recent sad bereavement. -969

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JAPAN'S NEW CABINET

Within twenty-four hours, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, the new Japanese Prime Minister, succeeded in forming his Cabinet, and there is every sign apparent that the new ministry will commence its labours in an exceptionally favourable atmosphere. Admiral Yonai is a popular figure, a man who as Minister for the Navy proved himself most able, and one who commands the confidence of the Diet. In view of Prince Konoye's refusal to accept office the selection of Admiral Yonai was the next best thing, and, if he continues to have the support of the Army which the Throne has commanded it to give, the new Premier should be able to face the very difficult duties which lie ahead of him with every prospect of being able to fulfil them satisfactorily to everyone. It is, of course, the irony of fate that the very man who has argued consistently that the Navy should remain aloof from politics should thus be called upon to guide the destinies of the nation, but there are occasions when what appears to be a sound doctrine has to give way to the necessities of the situation, and it is not so much his naval rank as the quality of the man which demanded that he should relinquish former convictions in the service of his country. In some ways the new Cabinet may with justice be regarded as something in the nature of a national ministry, for not only are the services represented, but also the two main political parties, which should result in the new government having the complete confidence of the Diet. It is essential that this should be the case. There will be general agreement upon foreign policy, in which no very great departure from precedent is to be expected, save perhaps in modifications calculated to bring about an improvement in the relationships between Japan and those other nations with which there are so many outstanding questions to settle. The inclusion of Mr. Hachiro Arita as Foreign Minister supports the view that Admiral Yonai's policy will be directed towards a betterment of Japan's international position.

The result of all that has happened during the past two-and-a-half years has left Japan in almost complete isolation. The German betrayal of the Anti-Comintern Pact practically completed it, and, should the new Cabinet decide after all that old friends are the best, it may very well be that without too great a reorientation of policy Japan's position vis-à-vis of those great Powers deeply interested in China may undergo a complete and gratifying change. It needs to be emphasized that to reach agreement with third-party Powers involves no radical change from policy as preceding Governments have enunciated it since the outbreak of the China Incident, for all that is needed is that the assurances which have repeatedly been given that third-party Powers' interests and rights would be respected should be implemented in deed. Under the Hiranuma Cabinet there was an attempt made to secure some agreement. That failed as the Ministry went out of power. General Abe sought to improve matters during his short regime. That he did not succeed is in all probability no fault of his, but rather because of the shortness of his term of office which was hardly long enough to be productive of results. Admiral Yonai enters office faced with the problem of the deterioration of relations between Japan and the United States and the necessity of coming to a better understanding than at present exists between his country and Great Britain and France. The obstacles to an all-round betterment are not insuperable, and a Cabinet, endowed with the authority that participation in it of all important parties would give it, should undoubtedly be able to make progress where other administrations found it well nigh impossible. From that point of view the personnel of the new Cabinet should prove a happy augury for the future, though it has always to be borne in mind that unless Japan makes definite progress in the improvement of her relations with the other Powers, the position instead of merely remaining stationary must inevitably become worse.

But the foreign policy is not the only problem which the new Cabinet has to face. The past two-and-a-half years have thrown an enormous burden upon the Japanese people. The heavy cost of the campaigns in China has created demands upon the economy of Japan which were already serious enough when the outbreak of war in Europe added considerably to them. In addition to definite shortages, due to natural causes, there is the ever-present threat of inflation, and one of the most difficult problems which Mr. Yukio Sakurauchi will have to face is how to place Japan's economy on a surer basis than it is now, and protect the nation as far as possible from the bad effect of further burdens which may have to be assumed before the China Incident is disposed of. The mobilization of national resources for the prosecution of the struggle in China has had a deep and, it may be, a lasting effect upon the economic structure of the country. There is at present no prospect of the early termination of the trouble, and the recent admission that Japan may have to continue the struggle for some years to come, means in fact the realization that the establishment of a new government in occupied China does not necessarily imply that Japan's activities on the Continent will automatically come to an end. In the light of all this it was not astonishing that most Japanese leaders were reluctant to assume the task of forming a Cabinet. That Admiral Yonai was finally selected and succeeded in completing his Cabinet in so short a while indicates not only the confidence of the Throne in him, but also of those who have consented to be his colleagues. Based on what amounts to all-round support the Cabinet is broad in its representation, and efficient in its personnel. Japanese Press reactions show also that it is popular, and it may be said without fear of contradiction that no administration since the commencement of hostilities in China has entered upon its task with a better prospect of success. Huge as the work before it certainly is, it does not appear that it is faced with any problem which is wholly incapable of solution, and the world will watch with considerable interest and no small sympathy to see how they tackle the job of extricating their country from its present difficulties.

An Offer Refused

The report that the Aga Khan has refused an offer of £50,000 for Bahram, which ran in nine races and was never beaten, is an indication that in spite of the curtailed racing programmes in England as a result of the war he does not intend to dispose of all his racing interests. It was reported recently that this great patron of the kingly sport was selling all his yearlings, without reserve, at the Newmarket December sales. The number of yearlings mentioned was 19, including 12 from the Aga Khan's stud in Ireland, and this gave rise to reports that he intended to dispose of his interests, which are worth somewhere in the neighbourhood of £350,000. This was denied but it was stated that he was prepared to consider offers for any of his bloodstock and this, obviously, included Bahram. As an offer it represents one of the largest in recent years but not quite the largest, for both Sir Mallaby Deeley and Mr. Martin Benson paid £60,000 each for two stallions. The Aga Khan's horses did not show up very well during the flat racing season which recently ended. His horses won 10 races to the value of £10,898, which was the poorest year he has experienced since 1925. As a breeder, he also had a lean season, horses bred by him winning only £6,782 as against £47,000 in 1937. Bahram was retired to stud in 1936 but his owner apparently had not lost faith in him when he declined £50,000.

Tension Relaxed

Though it is reported that tension in Belgium and the Netherlands has relaxed somewhat, there is still the danger of the German threat to those two countries being changed into action. For that reason it is reported that the precautions which have already been taken will be continued. Neither of the two threatened countries have gone so far as to declare a general mobilization, but what they have done is only one step short of such a development. To effect the last stage would now be only a matter of a few hours, and to all intents and purposes the Lowlands are in a complete state of defence. Despite German protestations denying any contemplated attack on those two countries, Government circles in Brussels state they had reason over the week-end to expect "grave events." That reason is to be found in the general tone of the German press and the disposition of forces along the borders of Holland and Belgium. It is still to be feared that the German forces will continue to remain close to the threatened borders, and it is thought that when vigilance in the Lowlands has somewhat relaxed they will attack with lightning speed. There is, however, very little likelihood that there will be any diminution of the efficiency with which the two countries will watch over the territorial integrity, and little doubt that both Holland and Belgium will be able to hold off German attacks until the Allies can go to their aid. The defences which those two countries possess have been prepared embodying all the lessons learned as the result of the last war, and with present-day preparedness there is very little chance of the German armies securing any advantage from surprise such as they did when they invaded Belgium twenty-five years ago. The history of the past four months has shown that the *Blitzkrieg* theory can only succeed against poorly-equipped or unprepared nations, and even though Herr Hitler may decide to try and force the issue he will meet with a resistance which may bring about his defeat. The decision as to when actual fighting will break out is left entirely to him, though it may be confidently expected that though he may decide when it will commence, the Allies will in their turn decide for him when it shall be ended.

A COUNTRY DIARY

Weihaiwei, December 31. — To say that Weihaiwei is cold during this marvellous winter weather is quite ridiculous, for down on the sea-front we walk about in the sun without overcoats; but up in the hills this morning, when the sun seemed unable to make up its mind whether it was rising or setting, the wind blew bitterly cold—and the whole wintry scene reminded me of Robert Service's lines when he speaks of sunsets and says, "the lonely sunsets flare forlorn, down valleys dreary desolate: the lordly mountains soar in scorn, as still as death, as stern as fate." But by the time this thought had come into my head the sun, finally making up its mind that it was rising and not setting, shone down in dazzling grandeur on to a shimmering coat of hoar-frost which made the hilltops dance. Into the heart of the chilly wind I walked for two good hours without seeing bird or beast or man, and found great consolation in the loneliness. I confess that the biting air, playing upon my city-softened nerve centres, gave me continual use for a handkerchief at eyes and nose, and kept me wondering how arctic explorers deal with such matters. And it was in the course of this walk that I found great solace from the vagaries of mountain winds which seem to blow from all directions without rhyme or reason: one moment the wind blows in your face; the next it is at your back, and suddenly, even in the highest places, there is no wind at all . . . just brilliant sunshine making the frosted ground seem warm: the next range, although apparently lower, has shot the air-current right over your head and left you in a calm; and it must, of course, be just such currents which make the use of air-gliders possible. Back on the sea-coast, I returned to warmth and comfort and the society of fellow-men, the first of whom to greet me (a small boy) shouts, 'All-ri, O-K, come-arn!" And so I feel that every day I am becoming more and more like Greta Garbo . . . I *want* to be alone.

IN PARENTHESIS

Naturally

THE best thing to help one to grow a beard, Samuel, is a dud razor blade.

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No Excuse

BACHELORS, says a French writer, have no excuse for living. Married men, it seems, have to have several.

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No Fuel

"Is it true that coke improves by being kept for a year?" asks "Simple Susie." Of course. There's no fuel like an old fuel.

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Puzzled

AN elderly woman had just experienced her first air-raid alarm—on a Sunday.

As the sirens sounded she looked puzzled. Then she stopped a girl who was making for shelter.

"Can you tell me," she asked, "why the factories are working on Sunday?"

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There's a Reason

SOME of the entries in the list of reserved occupations may puzzle one, but there's a reason for them all, says an economist.

For instance, at one time during the last war men making ladies corsets were exempted from military service. England needed Spanish mercury for munitions, and the Spaniards wanted corsets in payment.

So the corset-makers had to stay put.

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It Happened in Essex

THE warden jumped out of bed as the alarm sounded, scrambled into clothes and equipment, and got outside with his whistle.

But when he tried to blow the warning blast there wasn't a sound.

He'd forgotten to put in his false teeth.

And when you haven't a tool in your mouth you can't get one on a whistle.

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Party Conversation

"Of course, the only thing to do is to evacuate everybody you know and have a marvellous time in London drinking yourself to death."

"But it's the mornings, darling. Those dreadful olive green mornings."

"Cynthia says the only thing to do is to hold your nose and take a port and brandy mixed in equal proportions for breakfast."

"Why hold your nose?"

"Because it's too revolting, darling. And, besides, you have to hold on to something."

"And then what happens?"

"Cynthia says a new day begins."

"Who wants a new day to begin at breakfast time?"

"My husband says there's never going to be any gas, so why carry a gas mask?"

"Anthony's joined up in the ranks with an absolute assurance from a high-up in the War Office that he'll be a major in a fortnight."

"If he isn't, I suppose, he'll write a stinking article about the Army for one of those horrid little weekly papers?"

"Of course. But it's pretty sporting and democratic, isn't it?"

"My husband says that no Englishman should be an officer at all. They all ought to be French."

"Is that because of that week-end he spent in Dieppe?"

"No. He said that Napoleon or somebody said that the British Army was an army of lions led by donkeys. And he said it would be much better to have an army of lions led by intelligent lions."

"There are no intelligent lions. They must be the stupidest animals on earth to get themselves shot by that awful little squirt who married Margaret."

"My husband says that the only things that cheer him up in this war are that Churchill is in charge of the Navy and a Frenchman is in charge of the Army."

"Have you seen Moira's battle suit?"

"She's always in a battle suit, fighting for somebody's husband."

"No, but this is too marvellous. Tunic and trousers all in one with a perfectly lovely pocket on the right thigh which holds simply everything."

"Do you mean she doesn't need a week-end suitcase any more?"

"Don't be beastly, darling. I'm thinking of lipstick and torches and first-aid."

"Cynthia says that if you get hiccups the only thing to do is to hold your nostrils with the smallest fingers of either hand and press both thumbs into your ears."

"And then what?"

"You get somebody to hold a glass of water to your mouth and you drink and drink without breathing till you burst."

"My husband says he only drinks to defy the bishops and pay for the war."

"Of course, the worst thing about the black-out is that you simply can't breathe at night because of the curtains. That's what makes you feel so perfectly poisonous in the morning."

"I felt poisonous in the morning before the black-out."

"Of course, the only thing to do is to drink yourself to death...."

"My husband says...."

"Why doesn't your husband join up or shut up?"—Nat Gubbins in the "Sunday Express."

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	43.0	Max.	48.0
Same date, 1939	Min.	41.0	Max.	56.0

Rainfall .62

Temperature at Siccawei:—

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Same date, 1939	Min.	39.4	Max.	56.5

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 15th:—Low and unsteady pressure over China and Japan. Depression crossing Central China eastward. Cloudy weather with rain or snow and variable winds in China.

State on the morning of the 16th:—Rainy weather. North-easterly breezes. Low and unsteady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Overcast and cold weather with snow and strong northerly winds around Shantung: with rain or snow and freshening northerly to north-easterly winds over our regions and the Eastern Sea.—Siccawei Observatory.

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Commons Assured of Cabinet Unity

Mr. Hore-Belisha Emphasizes Harmony of Views Despite Resignation; Mr. Chamberlain Praises Army Reforms; Speculations, Criticisms Unfair

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 16.

EVERY seat in the House of Commons this afternoon was filled when Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the former Secretary of State for War, rose to make his eagerly awaited statement on his withdrawal from the Cabinet. Mr. Hore-Belisha was loudly cheered as he stood up at 3.28 p.m. After briefly acknowledging the warm and friendly reception he had received, the former War Secretary declared that he had very little to add to the letters which had already been published and to his statement on his resignation made to his constituents, with both of which the House was already familiar.

He emphasized that since he had taken office, the objective he had kept before him was winning the war. There had been no disagreement between himself and his colleagues in the Cabinet, or between himself and the generals of the army, as had been suggested in more than one quarter.

Since his assumption of control in the War Office, Mr. Hore-Belisha stated, there had been many changes in the army. His object had been to pick out strong men—and he had found them. They were strong men and were often outspoken in council, but in his view this was no fault, but rather a thing to be encouraged.

Another of his objects had been to make the army an attractive career for the best talent. He had endeavoured to make promotion in the service open to any man who was worthy of it, and to make the army a possible career for everyone, irrespective of distinctions.

Mr. Hore-Belisha said he concurred in the view that, in times of emergency, it was the duty of every man to do his duty in the post which had been selected for him, no matter how small. Why then had he declined the Presidency of the Board of Trade? He had declined this position in order in no way to hamper the Prime Minister in the choice of the best man for the position.

In conclusion he wished his successor at the War Office, Mr. Oliver Stanley, good health and every success in his work, and assured the House that he would give him every assistance possible as a private member, just in the same way as if he had still been a member of the government.

Mr. Chamberlain's Statement

The Prime Minister then spoke. The withdrawal of Mr. Hore-Belisha, said Mr. Chamberlain, had given rise to much speculation and some censure which was very unfair to third parties. It was not always possible to give full details to the public of the motives inspiring the actions of the government in certain contingencies.

Mr. Chamberlain emphasized that there had been no differences between Mr. Hore-Belisha and his colleagues in the Cabinet. During Mr. Hore-Belisha's term of office there had been certain changes carried out in the army, but it was untrue to say, as had been said, that these were the causes of differences between Mr. Hore-Belisha and his colleagues. All these changes had been approved by the Cabinet before they had been carried out, and therefore differences over them were impossible.

Another speculation had been that there were differences between Mr. Hore-Belisha and what was known in certain circles as the "brass hats." This again was quite untrue. There had been no such differences.

Mr. Chamberlain stated that he did not feel called upon to give a full explanation of good and well-understood reasons for the changes in the Cabinet, since if he had to do this every time a change was made, changes would become impossible. It should be sufficient for him to say that Mr. Hore-Belisha's work in the War Office had been highly appreciated, and that the Cabinet were assured of Mr. Hore-Belisha's continued co-operation, even though it were given as a private member.

Japanese Premier Explains Policy

Threefold Task Ahead Will Include End of China War, Better Foreign Relations

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

Determination to continue with the building of a "new order in East Asia," and to readjust Japan's relations with foreign Powers "by maintaining Japan's independent position," was expressed by the new Premier, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, in a statement of policy today at the first meeting of his Cabinet.

The Premier also promised full support for the formation of a new central regime in China.

The statement received the unanimous approval of the Cabinet, which also decided to take prompt relief measures for the victims of the disastrous conflagration in Shizuoka city.

Situation Grave

"The situation confronting Japan," declared Admiral Yonai in his statement, "is extremely grave. I, therefore, keenly feel the vital necessity of going ahead with the construction of a new order in East Asia with the solid unity and indomitable will of the nation.

"Regarding the disposal of the China affair, there is already a fixed basic policy, towards which I intend to pursue.

"It is hardly necessary to mention that the new Cabinet will extend assistance to the birth and growth of a new central government in China, which will be shortly organized.

"I intend to readjust relations with foreign Powers by maintaining Japan's independent position.

"At home, efforts will be made to stabilize national livelihood, while no efforts will be spared to secure national development by placing Japan on a firmer war footing and fostering national resources."

A Policy Tripod

In reply to a barrage of questions by newspapermen, Admiral Yonai declared that his political conviction was based on a tripod, which rests on three legs, namely, disposal of the China affair, international issues, and home questions.

The tripod, he said, could not secure equilibrium unless its three legs were well adjusted, while the platform of his Cabinet would be based on the disposal of the China affair by pursuing the policy of his predecessor.

Turning to the question of a new central government in China, the Premier expressed confidence that it would be inaugurated in the not distant future, though he declined to mention the date.

Questioned about the guiding principle of a readjustment of relations with foreign Powers, Admiral Yonai said it consisted of adherence to the independent position of Japan.

He promised, to give a definite statement in this connection before the Diet either by himself or by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita.

Asked what was meant by "independent," the Premier said it meant "independent line of action at Japan's initiative."

Relations With Russia

Questioned about Japan's relations with the Soviet Union, Admiral Yonai asserted that what was done by his predecessor was quite all right. First of all, the seeds of discord must be removed.

When a reporter drew his attention to pending questions between Japan and Russia, which had "piled up mountain high," asking what question would be settled first, the Premier promptly replied that the Government intended to seek a settlement of border issues first.

The readjustment of relations with other third Powers would be conducted along similar lines, as with Great Britain and the United States, with Japan's independent position as the guiding principle.

Turning to home issues, the Premier declared that control of economy would be effected where it was necessary. He revealed that he intended to retain the system of Cabinet counsellors.

Asked about Parliamentary Government, Admiral Yonai pledged respect for Parliamentary government as stipulated by the Constitution. He deprecated the idea of slighting or disregarding Parliament.

Admiral Yonai also hinted that his Cabinet would possibly adopt Budget bills as drafted by his predecessor.

Late this evening the Premier appealed to the nation, in a radio address over a nationwide hook-up, for solidarity and unity in the disposal of the China affair along the lines of his statement and press interview.—Reuter.

Norway Issues Denial

Oslo, Jan. 16.

The Telegram Bureau, official news agency states that the Foreign Ministry here denies the report that the Norwegian Government is discussing the question of a guarantee of Norway's integrity with Great Britain.—Havas.

Soviet Planes Make Most Intensive Raids of War

Three hundred Soviet planes bombed Finland on Sunday, attacking towns and cities over a wide area and dropping at least 1,000 bombs. These pictures from Helsinki show that city's travail since Soviet raiders started their attacks. Soviet raiders used incendiary bombs to increase the area of fire damage. In the lower picture, civilians may be seen sheltering against a wall as the only bombing shelter available.

Norway, Sweden Protest to Reds

Accusations by Moscow Refuted; Scandinavian Right to Aid Finland

Oslo, Jan. 16.

The Norwegian Government has instructed the Legation in Moscow to lodge an energetic protest on the invasion of the Norwegian frontier by Soviet planes. An official statement here says several Soviet planes crossed the frontier at different points on January 12 and 14. One plane, press reports say, even landed on the Norwegian side of the Spasvik River, but took off again almost immediately.

The complete neutrality of Norway was emphasized by Mr. Halvdan Koht, the Foreign Minister, in a statement to the Norwegian news agency yesterday. Mr. Koht declared that the Norwegian reply to the Soviet Government, countering alleged breaches of neutrality, should be entirely satisfactory to Russia.

"We naturally intend," the Foreign Minister stated, "to safeguard, within our frontiers, liberty of action, to which we are entitled in accordance with treaties. We made it clear in our reply that those who have helped Finland have been able to do so because we have a free press and freedom of speech in Norway, but that the Norwegian state has acted entirely in a neutral manner and will continue to do so."—Reuter.

Swedish Protest to Russia

Stockholm, Jan. 16.

The Swedish Legation in Moscow was instructed today to protest energetically against Soviet aerial bombardment yesterday of Kallax Isle, in the Gulf of Bothnia close to the Swedish-Finnish frontier, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced last night.

Courteously but nonetheless firmly, Sweden yesterday replied to and rejected the January 5 Soviet Note of protest which voiced concern over the future of Soviet-Swedish relations if the Swedish press were to continue its sympathetic pro-Finnish attitude and if Swedish civilians still volunteer for service in Finland.

Taking the Soviet Note point by point, the Swedish Government emphasized its independence and love of peace, declared it shares the Kremlin's desire for uncomplicated Soviet-Swedish relations, and in some instances corrected miss-statements of fact by the Moscow Government.

"The conflict arising between Finland and the U.S.S.R. deeply affected Swedish public opinion," the Swedish Note declared, openly avowing its people's sympathy for the Finnish defenders.

Swedes Sympathize with Finns

"All Sweden feels ardent sympathy for Finland. It can be affirmed without exaggeration that all Sweden has the strongest desire to see the free Finland that was born after the Great War with the consent of revolutionary Russia, maintain her independence."

It is natural that such unanimous opinion should be expressed in the press. The Swedish press enjoys unbounded freedom of expression on all subjects and this freedom is guaranteed by a constitutional statute.

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Soviet Air Fleets Ravage Finnish Communications

Aabo, Vaasa Worst Hit; Ruined Cities Will Be Abandoned; 400,000 Russians on Isthmus Front

Helsinki, Jan. 16.

RUSSIAN planes bombed Finnish cities and towns for the fourth successive day yesterday in a wide-spread and gigantic effort to break the morale of the Finnish people. It was reported that the Russians are using big incendiary bombs, concentrating their destruction on communication centres to cut Finland off from outside aid and break the backbone of Finnish resistance. The Finns asserted that they must receive more fighting planes from abroad to hold out against Russia. Except for fighting planes, they said, Finland's fighting resources will remain "purely local."

Aabo was the scene of the heaviest bombing of the war yesterday afternoon while Vaasa was also severely bombed. Three Russian bombers were known to have been shot down during Sunday's air raids and destruction of three others were awaiting confirmation. More than 300 planes participated in Sunday's raids.

Finns Need Aid to Fight Red Planes

Legation Spokesman in London Stresses Soviet Power in Vast Air Force

London, Jan. 16.

"Finland must have more help from the world if she is to counter Soviet superiority in the air," a Finnish Legation spokesman told Reuter today.

Partially cloudy weather in the last three days, he continued, had enabled Russian bombers to approach their objectives. In this way, 27 districts were bombed. In one attack, 400 planes participated and dropped over 1,000 bombs.

"The Russians are using an aerial 'pincer' movement. They are using new bases in Estonia to make raids on the west coast.

"Finland cannot counter this advantage, her chief air bases being on the south coast, behind the Karelian Isthmus defences. But despite constant strafing from the air, the morale of the Finns is unbroken.

"It would be tragic if the world were to think that Finland's brief successes on land meant she is winning the war. The Finns realize well that such successes as the Suomossalmi are local successes. Great masses of Russians are still being brought into play. Furthermore, the Russians dominate the skies with their bombers.

"Finland must have more fighters. Her fate depends on securing more help in the air. She appeals to the whole world to help her counter the Russian strength," the spokesman concluded.—Reuter.

The Finns believed that the Russians have decided to use their air supremacy before the Finns acquire sufficient foreign planes to make dangerous raids on Russia. It was suggested that Russian protests to Sweden and Norway were attempts to frighten them into discontinuing aid to Finland.—United Press.

Finns to Abandon Cities

Stockholm, Jan. 16.

The Finnish authorities have decided to evacuate the towns recently destroyed by Soviet bombers, it was announced today. Among the towns to be abandoned are Hangoe, Abo and Rihimaki. The town of Vasa was terribly devastated by recent bombing while at Hangoe 400 out of 700 houses were destroyed.

Soviet pilots, it was reported, not content with bombing houses, habitually fly low over the population to machine-gun them.

The cold has again gripped Finland and temperatures are again uncomfortably low.—Havas.

400,000 Russians in Karelia

Karelian Front, Jan. 16.

With a further snowfall, and the drop of the temperature to ten degrees below zero, operations in the Karelian Isthmus have again been brought to a standstill.

The outstanding feature of the Mannerheim Line is the way nature has been made to do part of the Finnish Army's work. In one place, it is a vast lake; in another it is a forest where all trees have been cut down to a height of three feet, forming a natural barrier against tanks.

The Finns estimate that about 400,000 Russians are on the Isthmus, and that they are in direct contact with Finnish troops along the whole line.—Reuter.

Heavy Red Patrol Activity

Svanvik, Jan. 16.

Heavy Russian patrol activity was observed in the Petsamo district yesterday as far as Salmijaervi and a considerable amount of materials and large numbers of troops were taken along the Petsamo road, it was reported from Kirkenaes last night. The movement of Russian troops indicated that the Russians were concentrating reserves at Kolasjoki.—United Press.

Three Hospitals Hit

Helsinki, Jan. 15.

For the fourth successive day Soviet warplanes rained bombs on towns in southern Finland, but the morale of the Finns remains unaffected.

Helsinki had two alarms today. The officer commanding air defence issued a statement declaring: "The enemy, having suffered severe reverses on the front, tried to avenge his defeat on the population." The Russians, the statement said, made no attempt as a rule to seek targets of military importance but dropped bombs on localities of small military significance.

During the week, it was added, the Red Air Force dropped upwards of 2,000 bombs on 42 separate localities outside the war zone, killing eighteen civilians, mostly women of the working class. Three hospitals were bombed.

Viipuri (Viborg) had its worst bombing of the war this afternoon when 22 bombers raided the city.

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Dutch Ship Sunk By U-Boat

British Coastal Patrol Plane Bombs and Sinks Nazi Submarine Raider

Amsterdam, Jan. 16.

The 8,000-ton Dutch steamer Arendskerk, bound for South Africa from Antwerp, was torpedoed by a German submarine yesterday in the Bay of Biscay, 100 miles off the Ushant.

She sank immediately. An Italian steamer, the Fedora, saved all occupants of the Arendskerk, a crew of 65. There were no passengers.

Captain Wikker of the Arendskerk has telegraphed his company, the United Netherlands Company, of The Hague, that his ship was torpedoed after being searched.

Of the crew, 28 were Europeans and the remainder British Indians. The vessel was carrying 4,000 tons of cargo consisting of normal piece goods.

There was very great indignation in Dutch shipping circles when the first news arrived. Further details are being awaited before any definite opinion is officially voiced.—Reuter.

Holland to Protest

Amsterdam, Jan. 16.

The Dutch Government will send a protest to Berlin over the torpedoeing of the crack-freighter Arendskerk by a German submarine, as soon as it is in possession of a complete report on the matter from the skipper of the ill-fated vessel, it is reported here this afternoon.

Dutch public opinion is greatly perturbed at the news of the torpedoeing of the Arendskerk, one of the most modern and up-to-date Dutch freighters, built last year.

The torpedoeing took place precisely when the Netherlands felt obliged to take new military precautionary measures.

The Arendskerk's papers were examined by the commander of the German submarine responsible for the torpedoeing so there can be no question of a mistake.

The "Allgemeen Handelsblad" believes an intensification of submarine warfare must now be expected. "Germany," the paper adds, "will endeavour by all means at her disposal, to prevent the transport of goods from Holland and Belgium."—Havas.

British Plane Gets U-Boat

London, Jan. 16.

Yet another U-boat raider was believed today to have been sent down to "Davy Jones' locker" by a British Coastal Patrol plane, according to an official communique last night.

The British aircraft spied the submarine while on a routine flight, immediately dived on her and released bombs. The pilot later declared he felt sure the missiles struck the U-boat. He circled above the site of the bombing for some time but saw no sign of the submarine, which tended to confirm his belief.

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Dutch and Belgian People Maintain Vigilance

Tension Subsides in Low Countries; Precautions Perfected; German Troop Movements Continuing

Amsterdam, Jan. 16.

DUTCH military authorities today continued to revise the country's defence preparations, but no new measures have been announced. "Holland is prepared for anything, but it must not be assumed there is any imminent danger at the moment," Reuter was authoritatively informed at The Hague. Intensive movements of German troops continue to be reported but usually well-informed sources state concentrations are much bigger opposite Belgium than opposite Holland. Political quarters here have the impression that Belgium is playing a leading role in this particular crisis.

Rumours of a Belgo-Dutch military alliance are discounted at The Hague, where it is pointed out the positions of the two countries are very different. Were Holland invaded, it would be vitally important that Belgium enter the war, but if Belgium were invaded, it might be more advantageous to Belgium if Holland remained neutral. Meanwhile the Belgium and Dutch Governments are keeping in continual touch with each other.

Dutch newspapers are dealing with the situation more fully than they did last November. The population is now noticeably less nervous, but crowds continually gather at newsstalls where British and French newspapers are displayed and gravely discuss the London and Paris versions of the situation, which are much more alarming than the accounts published here.

Unknown persons today smashed windows at the German Travel Bureau in one of Amsterdam's main streets.—Reuter.

Belgium Remains Vigilant

Brussels, Jan. 16.

Although relaxation of tension continues both in Belgium as in Holland, well-informed circles say it would be premature to state that the situation is bound to return to normal. King Leopold received the Premier, M. Hubert Pierlot, yesterday afternoon. The Premier also interviewed M. Paul-Henri Spaak, the Foreign Minister, who afterwards saw the Minister of Defence, General Denis.

Belgium's attitude in face of reports of German concentrations near the Dutch border is described as calmly vigilant. Political circles state it is unlikely that "Phase D" of the series reinforcing the army will be rescinded and that it is unlikely to be returned to "Phase C" unless there is a great change in the international situation.

It is understood that the reason for the measures taken in Belgium is not due to the discovery of plans on the German aeroplane which made a forced landing in Belgian territory, but is due to political and military information received in Brussels.

Restrictions on the closing hours of cafes were removed for last night.—Reuter.

Eighteen Nazi Divisions

The Hague, Jan. 16.

Eighteen German divisions are still concentrated on the Netherlands-German frontier and 41 divisions on the Belgian frontier, just as they were during November, 1939, unofficial sources said last night.

According to the Germans, these troops are merely reserves for the Siegfried Line. It was understood that the Netherlands and Belgium protested against the concentration of Nazi troops on their borders at some time during the past two months and the German troops withdrew slightly. The German High Command was said to have explained that such a concentration of forces in the Rhineland is essential as German troops are concentrated on the Maginot Line in a fan-like formation.—United Press.

Allies Will Help Any New Nazi-Red Victim

Paris, Jan. 16.

The French Foreign Office warned of possible simultaneous action by Germany and Russia in western and eastern Europe and pledged that France and Britain would lend "formidable support" to any neutral nation which might be invaded by Germany.

Increased German military preparations were under way on the Netherlands' frontier, the announcement said. The new German activity indicated that German motorized units had arrived from eastern Poland, particularly Lwow and Stryj, the Foreign Office asserted. There were increasing indications of "concerted German and Russo-German action."—United Press.

British Offer to Sweden, Norway

London, Jan. 16.

Both Sweden and Norway have received written British offers of assistance in the event of Soviet aggression against either nation, well-informed Scandinavian sources said today.—United Press.

German Offensive Due This Month

London Takes Serious View of Threat to Low Countries in Big Drive

Stockholm, Jan. 16.

It is impossible to obtain authoritative information in Berlin to show whether the Belgo-Dutch defence measures are really justified by German threats, states the Berlin correspondent of the "Dagbladet." Certain quarters in Berlin are not surprised as there are many signs to indicate that an offensive is planned for this month. It is not necessary that the offensive should open with a breach of Holland's neutrality, but events might lead to this.

Continued cold, the correspondent continues, improves the possibilities of action in the flooded low countries. The only object of an immediate German offensive would be hope of ending the war very quickly. Soldiers of units visited by Herr Hitler at Christmas wrote home that he told the troops the war would be over by spring, but authoritative sources in Berlin describe such reports as nonsense.

The presence of large German concentrations near the Dutch frontier, the correspondent adds, is no longer a military secret.—Reuter.

London Mentions January 25

London, Jan. 16.

Whatever may be the date of an eventual German invasion of Belgium or the Netherlands, the threat today is serious in itself and no precautions should be spared, British political quarters declared last night.

Information available in London yesterday afternoon all concurred that German plans for attack against the Low Countries were prepared for January 25 originally, but that other plans considered January 15, yesterday, and January 17, as possible "zero hours." Naturally, British observers stated, it is impossible to say whether the Berlin authorities let this information filter out or whether it is authentic.

Original German plans last November provided for a single-thrust invasion of the Netherlands. When Belgium announced her stand by her neighbour, and the Allies also entered the picture, the German High Command reconsidered the problem and countermanded attack orders. Today, the problem facing the German Army is the same as that of November. The question is: "Will the Reich plunge ahead despite the Allies and Belgium? And if so, what will be the plan of action?"

Probable Nazi Scheme

On the basis of information to hand about German troop and supplies concentrations, British military experts formulated an idea of the scheme the Germans would probably follow. German concentrations today are massed along the frontiers of Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Belgium and the north-eastern border of France. Taking this placing of troops into consideration, these military observers said Germany's plan would provide for:

1. Decisive, heavy action along a narrow front against the Allied forces in France; this would be destined to make more difficult the transport of Allied troops to Belgium to counter-attack invading forces;
2. A lightning attack against Belgium in a direct line for the strategic harbour of Ostend.
3. Immediate invasion of the Netherlands in the hope that "blitzkrieg" tactics would succeed before the Belgian and Allied forces could come to the aid of the Dutch defenders.

Chief objective of such a campaign, the British military experts continued, would be to obtain bases close to the British Isles, permitting mass aerial offensives against British industrial centres and more concentrated submarine attacks against Allied and neutral shipping.

More drastic action against France also might be undertaken, although in this the Germans would not find themselves in a much more favourable position than today.

British Opinion Divided

Whether the Reich actually undertakes this scheme of risky operations remains to be seen. Opinion in British quarters was divided for it was strange Germany should give the Low Countries so many warnings, permitting them to make all preparations against attack. There is the possibility, however, that Germany will stay quiet while the neutrals and the Allied powers mount watchful guard for several days. Then, when vigilance is relaxed as more normal conditions return, the German Army may strike with whiplike speed. To combat these tactics, the military experts concluded, the Allies will maintain constant watch on the Reich, and the Low Countries will not fail to guard their independence with unceasing care. Cancellation of British Expeditionary Force leaves and the smoothly-executed precautionary measures in Belgium and the Netherlands are convincing proof of this.—Havas.

French Fighters Bring Down German Plane

Scouting Patrols Resuming West Front Activity

Paris, Jan. 16.

A German reconnaisance plane in northern France was chased yesterday by two French fighters and brought down in a field. The crew of three was taken prisoner.

There is nothing to report, says the latest communique.

An earlier communique today on the fighting at the Western Front reports "activity of patrols and artillery and local encounters between reconnaissance units."—Reuter.

Black-Out Re-Imposed in Vienna

Zurich, Jan. 16.

According to the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten," black-out has been re-imposed in Vienna following British reconnaissance flights over Austria and Bohemia on January 13. The reason for the measure is given officially as need for economizing coal.—Reuter.

British Submarines Reported Missing

German Claim Reveals Some of Crews Saved

London, Jan. 16.

The Admiralty announces that the submarines Sea Horse, Starfish and Undine have not returned to their bases after doing especially dangerous work. The Admiralty fears they must be considered lost. The German Radio announced that some members of the crews of the Starfish and the Undine have been rescued.

The Starfish was of a type similar to the Salmon which sank a German submarine and torpedoed two German cruisers of the Bluecher and Leipzig class, while the Undine belonged to the same class as the Ursula which sank a German cruiser of the Koeln class.

The Starfish carried a crew of 40 and displaced 640 tons. She was armed with one three-inch gun, one machine-gun and six 21-inch torpedo tubs. Her surface speed was 13.75 knots.

The Undine displaced 640 tons and carried a crew of 27. Her armament consisted of a small-calibre gun and of six 21-inch torpedo tubes. On the surface she developed 11 knots.

The Sea Horse was armed with one 3-inch gun, one machine-gun, six 21-inch torpedo tubes and carried a crew of 40.—Havas.

New Japanese Cabinet Will be Unable To Compromise, U.S. Paper Predicts

No Concessions in Treatment of American Interests To Be Expected; Friendlier Attitude Foreseen

Washington, Jan. 16.

The new Japanese government while professedly friendly with the United States is none the less unable to make any sacrifices that would enable it to come to an accord with the American government, the newspaper "Evening Star," a leading Republican publication, declared in an editorial today.

"Admiral Yonai, despite his sympathy with America, will not be able to succeed in the task of improving U.S.-Japanese relations, unless the army and navy moderate their attitude with regards to China and somewhat modify their conception of the "New Order in Asia."

"There exists in Japan among the civilian and industrial circles a strong dissatisfaction with the burden that the Chinese war has imposed upon them.

"The army and navy have not been willing to undertake the moderations in policy which would enable Admiral Yonai or any other statesman to come to an accord with the United States.

"The Japanese government has made the mistake of treating problems of principles as problems of personalities.

"The United States, on the other hand, is concerned with the principles, and there is no reason why it should abandon this policy because the leaders of the Japanese government are friendly to the U.S. government," the newspaper concluded.—Havas.

Leave for British Air Force in France Cancelled Till Further Notice

London Fully Confident German Air Offensive Can Be Combatted; Tribute Paid to Nazi Skill, Courage

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

R.A.F., France, Jan. 16.

It is officially announced that for the time being, leave for the British Air Forces in France is cancelled. This does not affect those at present on leave, who will return in the normal time.—Reuter.

Enemy Not Under-Rated

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 16.

That Royal Air Force fighters could bring an enemy air offensive on Britain to a standstill in a comparatively short space of time by the losses which would be inflicted on the raiding bombers, is the opinion held in authoritative London circles.

Although tribute is paid to the efficiency of self-sealing petrol tanks carried by the Heinkel bombers, which increases the difficulty in shooting them down in their spasmodic appearances over British shores, it is pointed out that neither British aeroplane design nor armament is standing still, and British fighters shortly will be able to shatter these tanks which at present, though riddled with bullets, do not leak sufficiently to prevent the "enemy" from reaching home again.

The skill and courage of night-flying German pilots is fully recognized, and it is appreciated by men of the Fighter Command that neither British industries nor the civil population are safe until a full offensive breaks out, and the percentage of losses which the enemy will have to suffer affects the morale of German pilots.—Reuter.

Mgr. Lacchio Apostolic Vicar of Changsha

Vatican City, Jan. 16.

Pope Pius has appointed Msgr. P. Lacchio Apostolic Vicar of Changsha, Hunan Province, it was announced here today. Msgr. Lacchio has been stationed at the Changsha mission for 15 years. He recently won the praise of the Pope for his work in China.—United Press.

Another Wharf in Tsingtao Opened

Shippers Fear Obstruction Will Not Be Ended; Former Concessions Nullified

Tsingtao, Jan. 16.

Another wharf here is now available for use by third Power shipping. Number Four wharf has been opened for handling dangerous cargoes only.

This decision follows the announcement on Sunday that an additional shipping berth in Tsingtao harbour and two godowns had been opened for third Power vessels.

Shipping circles regard the new concessions as a "step in the right direction," provided they are operated in a liberal spirit.

It is pointed out that the two small berths previously available have been denied to foreign ships for months on the pretext of "military necessity." Every form of discrimination, it is said, has been used against foreign, and particularly British shipping concerns, as part of a general drive against foreign trade in occupied areas.

Shipping circles add that the new concessions are subject to the same restrictions as have been used to nullify the spirit, while preserving the letter, of the previous arrangements, and are therefore capable of operation in the same manner.

"If that is so, it would obviously be an attempt to influence third Power opinion, particularly American, by the appearance of magnanimity while actually yielding nothing," it is added.—Reuter.

U.S. Gives Assurance To Britain

Complaint on Discrimination On Shipping Answered

Washington, Jan. 16.

The Department of State today released the text of its answer, given on December 1, to the British protest against the discrimination against merchant ships belonging to the belligerents.

The British Note complained that, in the case of merchandise being transported on the ships of warring nations, the transfer of ownership of merchandise was effected, in accordance with the neutrality law, before the ship left American ports. Goods being transported on neutral ships were subject to no such restrictions, regardless of their destination.

In its answer, the State Department declared that the law had been adopted to protect the peace and neutrality of America, and added that no such discrimination against British or French shipping would exist in the future.—Havas.

Norway, Sweden Protest To Reds

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This statute does, however, provide for measures destined to prevent abuse of this freedom. It thus forbids outrages against foreign States and their leaders and the Swedish Government unfailingly intervenes against newspapers using language contrary to the Constitution. No difference is made in this respect between the Soviet Republic and other States. It might not be useless in this connection to draw attention to the recent attacks of the Soviet press and radio against Sweden.

"Neither by the reaction of the press nor in any other form, the Swedish Government believes, has it given the U.S.S.R. the slightest reason for legitimate complaint. Conscious of always having been inspired by principles of neutrality, the Swedish Government cannot help gaining the impression that the observations contained in the Soviet Note are based on inaccurate information," the Note further emphasized.

Soviets Misinformed

"Thus, among others, the representations regarding volunteers are far from being in line with the true facts and the number of volunteers is far from reaching the figure indicated by the Soviet Government. Moreover, this activity (of volunteering) is exercised only through private initiative in full conformity with international practice. No Swedish authority ever gave help and no officer or soldier of the active service has participated as a volunteer in the fighting in Finland. General Linder, commander of the Swedish volunteers, is a Finnish general and does not belong to the Swedish Army," it pointed out.

"As for the transport to Finland of merchandise sent or passed in transit by Sweden, the Swedish Government cannot admit that there can be the slightest objection. Although Sweden controls foreign trade, it seeks nevertheless to maintain as much foreign trade as possible and therefore it is natural that, in relations between Sweden and the northern countries, exchanges take place in accordance with conventions among the northern countries in the freest form possible.

Free Transit of Goods Legal

"It is in pursuance of this tradition," the Note asserted, "that Finland is allowed to import from Sweden and pass in transit through Sweden goods of all kinds which it considers necessary. The Swedish Government believes there is no reason to modify in a restrictive sense the present rules.

"The Government trusts that the preceding considerations will prove enough to dissipate all misunderstanding and show that the Soviet Government was ill founded to express concern. The Swedish Government does not follow a policy of aggression against Russia but, on the contrary, shares the desire expressed by the Soviet Government that all complications between the two countries shall be avoided," the Swedish Note concluded.—Havas.

Graf Spee Captives In Britain

London, Jan. 16.

Sixty-one officers and men of the British merchant marine arrived in Tilbury today from Montevideo where they had been disembarked from the German pocket battleship, Graf Spee.

It will be recalled that these men had comprised the crews of British steamers sunk by the German warship prior to its defeat at the hands of three British destroyers.—Havas.

Yonai Cabinet Not Radical Enough

Lack of New Blood Seen In Tokyo Press Comment; Danger of Inflation

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

The Yonai Cabinet lacks the new blood needed to embark on radical policies fitted to cope with the pressing financial economic conditions and to remove the consequent unrest, which caused the fall of the Abe Cabinet, in the general opinion of newspapers here.

Several key appointments, it is feared, have been made more under the pressure of political exigencies than with a view to fitness for the posts.

Refusals of a number of first-rank statesmen and financial leaders to accept the proffered portfolios are commented upon with regret.

The appointment of Mr. Yukio Sakurauchi as Finance Minister, after Mr. Chuji Machida had declined the portfolio, was quite unexpected, according to the "Asahi Shimbun," which forecasts that Mr. Sakurauchi will pursue essentially the same policies as the four previous Finance Ministers who have held office during Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Prevention of Inflation

Domestic problems facing the new Cabinet include the ticklish question of severe revision of the ten billion yen budget, thereby preventing further expansion of note issue which would otherwise, it is feared, cause uncontrollable inflation. Secondly, there is the related task of stabilizing the supply of foodstuffs and other daily necessities.

These are vital matters, the fundamental solution of which requires a well-planned and expertly controlled policy, capable of being expeditiously carried out.

Japanese foreign policy is not expected to show change. The "Asahi Shimbun" forecasts that Mr. Hachiro Arita will continue the policy of recognizing third Power rights and interests in China insofar as they do not interfere with the establishment of the "New Order in East Asia."

Solution of the Tientsin issue, it is said, awaits the next move from Great Britain. Japanese-American conversations cannot be resumed at present, Japanese observers say, as "the opening of the Yangtze cannot be realized speedily, owing to local conditions. In any case, Mr. Arita (Foreign Minister) will not hurry and will devise proper measures."—Reuter.

Chungking Foresees "Appeasement"

Chungking, Jan. 16.

"The policy of the Yonai Cabinet will be largely determined by a small group of finanical and industrial magnates in Japan," declares the "Hsin Hua Jih Pao," official organ of the Chinese Communist Party, in a leading article today.

"The new Japanese Cabinet," the newspaper predicts, "will, therefore, firstly adopt an appeasement policy towards Great Britain and the United States, and secondly, will try a fundamental solution of the so-called China Incident."

In conclusion, the Communist daily warns the Chinese public against the forthcoming "political offensive" in China on the part of the Japanese Cabinet, in an effort to destroy Chinese unity and resistance.—Reuter.

Paris Press Pleased

Paris, Jan. 16.

The new Japanese Government under the leadership of Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai was generally hailed by the Paris press with unmitigated approval, and welcomed as an important stabilizing influence in the Far East.

Reflecting the general attitude of the newspapers, "Le Petit Journal" pointed out that the "the new Japanese government is an ancient champion of moderation.

"Both the Minseito and Seiyukai parties are supporting the new government which is thus representing the majority of Japanese opinion," the same paper continued.

"Admiral Yonai will be able to assume the authority of preparing financial plans necessary to stabilize the situation already gravely compromised by the Chinese war.

"Japanese military circles, however, must not be forgotten, and, answering the request of General Hata, they have accepted the support of Admiral Yonai.

"The Abe government had been alloted the task of ending the Chinese war, but failed due to opposition from the Diet. Their agreement with Russia, however, did settle the irritating problem of the fisheries," the "Petit Journal" concluded.—Havas.

China Confliet Must Be Ended Soon

Japanese War Minister Instructs Officers

Tokyo, Jan. 14.

The necessity of bringing the China conflict to a successful conclusion was emphasized in instructions issued by Gen. Shunroku Hata, Minister of War, to army officers in the Ministry of War today. The instructions will be sent to the officers and men at the China fronts.

He also stressed the need of unity of officers and men at the China fronts in order to promote the prestige of Japan both at home and abroad.

Co-operation of army officers and men was necessary, he said, to solve the various internal and external problems.

Gen. Hata, War Minister in the Abe Cabinet, retained his position in the Yonai Cabinet.—Domei.

New U.S. Ambassador For Brussels

Sudden Departure from Dublin For Post by Mr. Cudahy

Dublin, Jan. 16.

Mr. John Cudahy, the American Ambassador to Eire, left Dublin unexpectedly last night to take up his new post as American Ambassador in Brussels to which he was appointed a few days ago. It is believed in Dublin that his sudden departure is due to the international situation and the desire of the United States Government that their representative be in Belgium immediately to look after American interests there.—Reuter.

Fourteen Robberies in Settlement

Watchman Shot in Groin Resisting Armed Men

Armed robbers were extremely active in the Settlement yesterday afternoon and last night. In fourteen crimes reported, one watchman was shot in the groin and rushed to the Red Cross Hospital while two men were arrested in two other crimes, one man being found with an imitation pistol.

The unfortunate watchman, Liu Kwei-yung, was shot only once when he resisted. He was on duty near 700 Avenue Haig in the Bubbling Well District when four men, one armed, held him up at about 8.30 p.m. His attackers failed to obtain any cash from him and the armed robbers opened fire before all of them escaped.

Three robberies were reported in the Louza district between 4.30 and 7.25 p.m. A cloth shop at Lane 140 House 12 Fokien Road lost $1,686 while a Chinese resident in the same street was robbed of money and other valuables amounting to $2,033. Watches and cash amounting to $480 were stolen from a watch and clock shop at 40 Lloyd Road by five men, four of whom were armed.

In the Gordon Road district, four men, one armed, victimized a house in Connaught Road and escaped with loot, the value of which was unknown. Three men, one armed, made a futile attempt to rob a pedestrian of his overcoat near Penang Road. The Wayside police had to deal with two other cases between 5.50 and 6.15 p.m. during which time a rice shop at 875 East Yuhang Road was robbed of $87 while a tailor shop in Broadway East was visited by four gunmen. Only one attempted robbery was reported in the afternoon in Kiangse Road which is within the Central district. In the Sinza district, a male Japanese was robbed of $71 by his own rickshaw puller aided by another male Chinese at 7.10 p.m. A Chinese residence at 63-73 Tsang Ka Zah Road was robbed of $15 by five men, two of whom were armed.

The two arrests were made in the Yangtzepoo and Pootoo Road districts. One of five robbers who visited a Chinese house at 194 Zung Zung Li off Tsu Ka Ba Road at 7 p.m. was arrested near Pingliang Road after a chase and part of the loot of $800 was recovered. At 7.45 p.m. three men, one "armed" with an imitation pistol, held up a Chinese in Yong Ching Li off Robison Road. Officers came in time to arrest the "armed" man.

Soviet Air Fleets Ravage Finnish Communications

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Many buildings were set on fire and all shopfronts in one street were blown away.

Part of the enemy machines came from the Aretic, over Norwegian territory, a Helsinki communique alleges. The number of machines over Finland during January 14 is estimated at over 300. Three were shot down. The shooting down of another three awaits confirmation, the communique adds.—Reuter.

More Swedish Volunteers

Stockholm, Jan. 16.

Another large contingent of Swedish volunteers left here yesterday for Finland. The contingent included the chairman of the Swedish Social Democrat Organization.

Swedish masons have proposed to organize a volunteer corps of 1,000 strong to assist the Finns to construct defences behind their present front lines.—Reuter.

American Finns Arrive

Copenhagen, Jan. 16.

Two detachments of Finns residing in the United States arrived here yesterday en route to the Finnish front and more are on the way. The Finns from the United States may be constituted into a special Finnish American Legion.—United Press.

Red Infantry Awarded Honour

Moscow, Jan. 16.

The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet issued a decree yesterday awarding the order of the Red Banner to the 19th infantry regiment for the exemplary execution of battle tasks assigned them in the struggle against the Finnish White Guards. The honour was also awarded for valour and courage.—United Press.

Soviet Planes Drop 1,100 Bombs

London, Jan. 16.

The Finnish Legations announced last night that Soviet planes on Saturday dropped 1,100 bombs at various places in Finland. The Legation added that Soviet bombers flew over Finland on Sunday and dropped about 1,000 bombs, mostly incendiary, on 27 places in Finland.—United Press.

Dr. Sandler's Praise

Stockholm, Jan. 16.

Dr. Rickard J. Sandler, former Swedish Foreign Minister, returned here today after organizing work for the evacuation of Finnish women and children into Sweden. Dr. Sandler told the press that today's bombing of Aabo was the most severe by Red bombers since the beginning of the war. "I have no words to express the calmness of the Finns during their present hardships," he stated.—

Soviet Spies Shot

Helsinki, Jan. 16.

The Finnish official radio states today that espionage by Soviet elements is being severely repressed. Two Soviet military men spying the strength of Finnish forces, were arrested on December 12 and after court-martial were executed on December 16.

A Finnish citizen, informing Soviet employers on the strength of a Finnish detachment with details on its position, was arrested when passing information to the Soviets on the mining of a certain road. He was taken on January 7 and sentenced to death.

Newspapers here say Finnish soldiers destroyed a whole Soviet detachment by following the traces left in the snow in the Raalte battle. During the crushing defeat which the 163rd Soviet Division suffered along the Kintajarvi Lake, in the direction of Suomosalmi, two or three Finnish companies kept the entire 44th Soviet Division at a distance on the highway between Raalte and Suomosalmi. Soviet prisoners made on this occasion, when questioned by Finnish officers, said their detachments had assassinated their officers and the most literate among them was then delegated to write a letter to M. Joseph Stalin, asking him to stop this war. The letter was never finished, however, because of the Finnish attack.—Havas.

Czech Officers Shot By Gestapo

London, Jan. 16.

Nearly 800 Czech officers were arrested by the Gestapo since Christmas, it is learned on the German frontier from well-informed Czech sources. Some officers, including General Braun, former Czech military attaché in Bucharest, are reported to have been immediately executed on charges of attempted revolt.—Reuter.

"Christian Front" Leaders Known

Trial Set for February 5; Bail Allowed at $50,000 To Sixteen Men Now Held

New York, Jan. 16.

Sixteen members of the anti-Semitic organization "Christian Front," charged with seditious conspiracy to overthrow the Government by force pleaded innocent in Federal Court at Brooklyn yesterday and were held for hearing on February 5 on $50,000 bail each. The other two "Christian Front" members arrested will be arraigned later, the Federal Bureau of Investigation announced.

The eighteen prisoners are only a part of a larger group planning to overthrow the American Government by force, F. B. I. agents said. This group is still under investigation, they said.

Mr. Harold M. Kennedy, United States Attorney at Brooklyn, said that a joint inquiry with the F.B.I. had revealed that the leaders of the alleged plot against the Government had "threatened immediate action," and therefore the arrests were made earlier than had been planned.

The evidence indicated that the alleged terrorists planned to start activities about January 20, he said. The attorney said the F.B.I. is investigating a possible connection between the organization and the outlawed Irish Republican Army.

"We expect more arrests," Mr. Kennedy said. "We have merely scratched the surface."

The F.B.I. is said to have uncovered fifteen bombs, scores of rifles and shotguns, and 3,500 rounds of ammunition, in a series of eighteen raids conducted on Saturday.—United Press.

Mystery Men as Leaders

New York, Jan. 16.

Two men seem to be the leaders of the "Christian Front" group, and the attention of the police is particularly directed at a mysterious person of unknown nationality, known under several identifications, currently called William Gerald. Police officials believe he is originally from Vienna and that his real name is Arnock. Investigations revealed that he had been sentenced in the United States in 1939 for carrying forbidden weapons, and that he had been expelled from England, France and Belgium for espionage activities.

Following his return to the United States, the police discovered that Gerald, or Arnock, had become closely associated with the Christian Front movement, and that that organization had shortly afterwards become active in some new fields, one being intensive target practice at a private camp near Narrowsburg.

New members in the organization had been put to work constructing bombs. It is believed that only a few of the initiates knew the real leaders or even the aims of the movement.

Since August 1938 the police had the activities of the Christian Front under close surveillance, and had delayed action until they discovered that the group had branches in many American cities.

The decision of the anti-Semitic terrorists to begin operations had precipitated the intervention of the police, who estimated that the activities of the group, if sufficiently well-organized and led, could have done a great deal of damage, causing many fatal "accidents."—Havas.

Local Workers Warned Against Traitors

Recent Strikes Originated By Agitators

Printed leaflets were distributed by the "China Youths Cultural Society" yesterday urging Chinese employers and workers to co-operate closely in the face of abnormal development of business in Shanghai so that "traitors" may not make use of them in upsetting the nation's economic plan during the resistance period.

It is alleged that recent strikes called by many employees or workers of Chinese firms and factories have been started by traitorous political agitators using the high cost of living as their pretext.

It would appear that these leaflets were distributed by the society with special emphasis on the labour trouble at the Wing On Company. It is asserted that if the management of the company voluntarily increases wages of employees, no traitors can make use of the situation. The statement also urges employees and workers to preserve their bright history of co-operating with their employers so that no traitors can incite them to strike. Workers are asked carefully to check their own rank and file and to effect a rational settlement of their grievances.

Hope is expressed that the management of the Wing On Company will reinstate those employees who have been dismissed and that employees should always be loyal to the country and unite with their employers to achieve mutual prosperity.

Methodists in Japan Will Unite

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

A constitution for a new Japan Mission Council of the Methodist Church, formed in conformity with a unity meeting of the Methodist Church branches in America last May, was adopted at a recent meeting in Kobe of missionaries in Japan.

Representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Southern Branch, and the Methodist Protestant Church attended. These churches were united into a new Methodist Church in keeping with a unity conference held in Kansas City last spring.—Domei.

Japan Planes Busy In Kwangsi

Chinese Air Force Lies Low; Many Casualties On Moving Troops

Nanning, Jan. 16.

Japanese air forces completely dominated the skies above Kwangsi province today, Japanese aviators reported.

All Chinese aircraft have disappeared in the province and raids by Japanese air forces were being conducted uncontested. Even anti-aircraft positions have disappeared in the province, it was claimed.

Japanese army aircraft pilots noted this yesterday when a raid was staged on Chinese motor cars moving in the areas of Pingyang, Wuming and Tsienkong. Heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy during the bombing.

Meantime, Japanese ground forces routed a portion of the 188th Division from the area west of Watsunhu in southern Kwangsi.

Attacking the 175th Division stationed in the area north-east of Yamchow, Japanese forces yesterday at noon defeated Chinese vanguard units in the vicinity of Hakiashan, 20 kilometres east of Taitanhu. These forces were reported today to be in a fierce engagement with troops of the 175th Division.

In Kwangtung, in the vicinities of Taichihyu and Natienhu, west of Yamsien, Japanese forces began attacking a group of Chinese troops on Sunday. The Chinese soldiers today were reported to be retreating towards the area of Shinwantaishan.—Domei.

Liuchow Air Battle Described

Chungking, Jan. 16.

Details of battle between Chinese and Japanese warplanes above Liuchow, South Kwangsi, in which eight Japanese bombers are said to have been shot down, are reported in the Chinese press here this morning.

Chinese women's representatives yesterday presented flowers and gifts to the Chinese squadrons which took part in the air battle.

Replying on behalf of the squadron, the commander stated: "Early on the morning of December 30, a large number of Japanese aircraft were sighted heading for Liuchow from the south-west.

"Chinese fighter machines immediately took off, awaiting the raiders, which, when approaching Liuchow, were found to comprise aircraft of the 96 and 97 types.

"The Chinese fighters immediately engaged the raiders in a battle lasting for 20 minutes. Eight Japanese bombers were brought down in the engagement," the commander concluded.—Reuter.

Yangtze Being Cleared

Chinese "bandit troops" have been driven off Yangchung Island on the Yangtze River between Chinkiang and Kiangyin, local Japanese newspapers reported yesterday.

Six Japanese detachments completed mopping-up operations Thursday, the Japanese press here stated. The Chinese troops belonged to the Kiangnan Volunteer Corps of the newly-organized National and Revolutionary Fourth Army which had been plundering in the area on Yangchung Island and in Kowanchen.

Following up the drive, four Japanese detachments landed at a point south of Kowanchen at dawn on Monday to conquer Kowanchen, the base of the Shantung, Kiangsu and Anhwei Guerilla Corps. Encircling the Chinese troops, the Japanese forces captured their objective after crushing more than 700 Chinese troops.—Domei.

King Holds Privy Council

French Supply Minister Conferring in London

London, Jan. 16.

The King this morning held a Privy Council at Buckingham Palace when he handed the seals of office of the War Ministry to Mr. Oliver Stanley.

Well-informed quarters meanwhile reveal that important conversations are now taking place in London between M. Raoul Dautry, French Minister of Armaments and Mr. Leslie Burgin British War Supplies Minister. These conversations are a continuation of the talks in Paris during Mr. Burgin's visit there last last month. They aim to put into effect the principle of co-operation established between the two governments. M. Dautry, it is added, came to London with an important number of experts to cover the technical side of the armaments question.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain will preside at a luncheon in honour of M. Dautry tomorrow, thus indicating the importance which the Prime Minister attaches to this essential form of co-operation.—Havas.

Famous Chinese Curios Leaving Country

Chungking, Jan. 16.

World famous Chinese curios, porcelains and antiques are finding their way into foreign museums and private collections as the Sino-Japanese hostilities continue. It is officially revealed that nearly $1,500,000 worth of antiques of various descriptions left China in the first ten months of last year. Most went to the United States, while some went to France, England, Argentina, Canada, Italy, Germany, Sweden, Singapore, the Philippines and the Dutch East Indies.—Reuter.

Yangtze May Not Be Reopened

Developments Make Japan's Promise Impossible; Trade Snag with U.S. Foreseen

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

The "Asahi Shimbun" today warned that American and Japanese negotiations could not be resumed because local conditions would prevent the reopening of the Yangtze River.

"American and Japanese talks are not in a position to be resumed as the opening of the Yangtze cannot be realized because of local conditions and Mr. Hachiro Arita (Foreign Minister) will devise proper measures without haste," the "Asahi" said.

A Foreign Office spokesman, however, speaking in an unofficial capacity, said that the reopening of the Yangtze would be effected as soon as possible and there was "nothing to the reports that Japan intends reversing her decision" on reopening the river to third Power navigation as far as Nanking.

The announcement by the former Foreign Minister, Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, to Mr. Joseph C. Grew, U.S. Ambassador to Tokyo, last month that the opening would take place in about two months' time "still holds good," the Gaimusho spokesman said.

Can Be Postponed

Well-informed Japanese sources, however, pointed out that the opening of the Yangtze "can be postponed in the event trade negotiations hit a snag."

Commenting on the new Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, the "Asahi" said that his diplomacy was expected to follow the general lines of Admiral Nomura.

The "Asahi" expected Mr. Arita to conduct personal talks with Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Tokyo, regarding the Tientsin silver problem and other outstanding British questions.

Discussing the question of a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union, the "Asahi" said, "Japan will not take the initiative."—United Press.

Dutch Ship Sunk By U-Boat

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A total of twelve British ships totalling 34,077 tons, and four neutral vessels with a total tonnage of 7,792 were sunk by the enemy in the week ending January 13, it was announced by the Admiralty today.

The freighter Dunbar Castle, the announcement adds, struck a mine when just about to join a convoy of a number of steamers. Britain, the announcement adds, lost 26 tankers since the beginning of the war. Up to January 10, a total of 6,363 British, allied and neutral ships were escorted in convoys and of these only twelve were lost through enemy action.—Havas.

French Attack U-boat

Paris, Jan. 16.

The French Admiralty announced a French patrol boat yesterday attacked a German submarine but it could not be ascertained if the enemy craft had actually been sunk but must at least have been seriously damaged.

The French Admiralty only announce the sinking of an enemy submarine when the wreckage is sighted or survivors picked up. Even large pools of oil on the surface of the sea are not taken as a guarantee of destruction.—Havas.

British Ship Aground Off Australia

London, Jan. 16.

The 5,952-ton British passenger steamer Mercur ran aground on a coral reef off the north Australian coast, while on her way to Melbourne from Singapore. All 90 passengers on board at the time, are safe, according to the latest reports reaching here.—Havas.

Japanese Foreign Policy Stated

Friendly Relations With All Powers Sought, But No Yielding Independent View

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

Hope of settling the aftermath of the trade treaty question between the United States and Japan was expressed by Mr. Hachiro Arita, the new Foreign Minister, in an interview with Japanese pressmen today after the transfer of the seals of office between himself and the outgoing Foreign Minister, Admiral Nomura.

He also said that preparations for the reopening of the Yangtze were proceeding apace.

The foreign policy of the new Cabinet, Mr. Arita declared, would centre on the disposal of the China affair and a readjustment of relations with third Powers while firmly maintaining Japan's independent position.

It was untenable to assert, Mr. Arita said, that Japan would run the risk of antagonizing one Power in seeking friendly relations with another Power while maintaining her independent position.

Friendly with All

The Foreign Minister pointed out the possibility of the establishment of friendly relations with foreign Powers in accordance with the latters' different positions and requirements.

Mr. Arita said he intended, in readjusting relations with the United States, to pursue the policy of his predecessor.

In order to reconstruct the traditional friendship between Japan and the United States, the Foreign Minister asserted, the relations between the two countries should first be normalized in this sense.

The new Cabinet, Mr. Arita continued, would endeavour to clear out of the way all pending questions with the United States one after another.

If the United States appraised Japan's fair attitude correctly, he trusted the United States would reciprocate Japan's constructive spirit in normalizing relations between the two countries.

In regard to the reopening of the Yangtze up to Nanking, the Foreign Minister declared that it was decided at Japan's initiative, as demonstrated by the fact that the Hiranuma Cabinet decided on the basic policy of the re-opening of the Yangtze.

Preparations for the reopening of the river, he added, were now being pushed on.

Japan and Russia

Turning to the relations between Japan and the Soviet Union, Mr. Arita said the Anti-Comintern Pact was one thing, and friendly relations between Japan and the Soviet Union another thing.

Recalling that he, as Foreign Minister, participated in the conclusion of the tripartite Anti-Comintern Pact, Mr. Arita pointed out that it was the fixed policy of the Japanese Government to maintain friendly relations with the Soviet Union, irrespective of the Anti-Comintern Pact, as demonstrated by the fact that Japan had entered into detailed negotiations with the Soviet Union regarding the demarcation of borders and the disposal of border disputes.

Unfortunately, the Foreign Minister proceeded, the relations between the two countries had since been aggravated, but recently the unfortunate causes had been eliminated, with the result that a friendly spirit had begun to revive between the two nations.

It was a matter for sincere congratulation, according to Mr. Arita, who said he would endeavour to settle all pending questions between the two countries in an effort to normalise their relations.—Reuter.

Producer-Director William A. Wellman surveys the cast of "The Light That Failed" on Paramount's Stage 9. Working in this particular scene are Ronald Colman, Muriel Angelus and Ida Lupino, all English-born; Dudley Digges, a native of Ireland, and Colin Tapley, who hails from Australia. Even the dog in the scene is a Scotty.

China's Exports Increased

Hongkong Figures Show Remarkable Gains; Heavy Demand for Wood Oil

Chungking, Jan. 16.

Despite the Japanese blockade and the European war, China's exports through Hongkong are showing a big increase.

In the first eleven months of 1939, the total value of Chinese goods exported through Hongkong amounted to 274,000,000 Hongkong dollars, it is officially announced here.

A heavy foreign demand for wood oil and teas was mainly responsible for the spectacular increase in exports, which rose from 23,250,000 Hongkong dollars in October to over 27,000,000 Hongkong dollars in November, compared with 21,000,000 Hongkong dollars in September.

The export of bristles, however, has been affected by the European war, as Germany formerly imported large quantities of bristles from China.

Tung Oil Now Monopolized

It is officially announced that the marketing and exporting of tung oil shall now be centralized under the Fooshing Trading Corporation of the Ministry of Finance, in close collaboration with the Foreign Trade Commission. The corporation is capitalized at $60,000,000.

The Central Trust is at present controlling the export of bristles.

China exported last year over 40,000 tons of wood oil, mostly to the United States, paying off American credits amounting to U.S.$25,000,000.

China's annual production of wood oil is about 70,000 tons. America's purchase last year was about U.S.$15,000,000.—Reuter.

The Hague Issues Denial

The Hague, Jan. 16.

The allegations of the D.N.B. official German news agency that the military proparations in Holland and Belgium were inspired by the Allies were branded by authoritative circles as absolutely false. The Dutch government, it was added, is used to considering the international situation in the light of information it can control and verify itself.—Havas.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

Mr. W. J. Keswick arrived in the ss. President Coolidge on Monday.

Sir Victor Sassoon left yesterday in the ss. President Coolidge for San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Scott left for home via San Francisco in the ss. President Coolidge yesterday.

Dr. Romolo Angelone, Italian Commercial Counsellor in Tokyo, arrived by air from Japan yesterday on a brief visit.

All tickets for the piano recital by Professor B. Zakharoff and V. Havsky, at the Lyceum Theatre this evening at 9.15 p.m., have been sold.

The annual general meeting of the Hellenic Benevolent Society of China will be held on Sunday January 21, 3 p.m. at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. 3rd floor, room "D."

Mr. T. T. Hsiao, Director of the Central News Agency, is shortly leaving Chungking for Hongkong on business, says a Hongkong message to the "National Herald."

Mr. G. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary and Commissioner General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and Mrs. Phillips are leaving for Singapore in the Conte Verde next Sunday on a short holiday trip.

The Municipal Council has been notified by the Senior Consul that the following have been appointed to serve for 1940 on the Board of Governors of the Shanghai General Hospital:—Messrs. G. W. Boissevain, Consul General for the Netherlands, E. Kronvall, Acting Consul General for Sweden and L. Scheyuen, acting Consul General for Belgium.

Among those who left yesterday in the ss. President Coolidge for San Francisco were—Mr. and Mrs. R. Wright; Mr. C. J. and Miss Mona Baker; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fibiger; Messrs. Kent Lutey, A. V. Pettitt, J. K. Potest, and Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Pettus. For Honolulu, Mr. C. A. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gilleland for Los Angeles.

Sir Herbert Phillips, formerly H.M. Consul-General in Shanghai and Miss Phillips sailed for the United States and England yesterday in the ss. President Coolidge after handing over his office to Mr. A. H. George. Sir Herbert will join Lady Phillips in England where he will spend his retirement.

Major road repairs will commence on the South side of Nanking Road, between Kiangse and Szechuen Roads as from January 20. The repairs are expected to be completed in about one week. West bound riesha traffic will be diverted at Szechuen Road South to Kiukiang Road. Road users are advised to avoid this section of Nanking Road from January 20, to save unnecessary inconveniences.

The Hongkong-Macao Relief Association was formally inaugurated in Hongkong on Monday, following a meeting held under the chairmanship of General Wu Te-chen, Minister of Overseas Affairs, says a Hongkong message to the "Shun Pao." The association, General Wu declared, would undertake relief measures in Hongkong and Macao, for which the greater portion of expenditure would be defrayed by the Chinese Government.

The Municipal Council has been notified that the following have been appointed to the Consular Committee for the inspection of Municipal Gaols for 1940:—Mr. Stanislaw de Rosset, Acting Consul General for Poland, chairman. Dr. J. F. Teixeira, Consul for Portugal, Mr. A. H. Hasselman, Vice-Consul for the Netherlands. The secretary of the Consular Body, Mr. E. A. Long, will continue to serve as secretary of the committee.

The U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee unanimously approved President Roosevelt's nomination of Mr. Frank Murphy, former Governor General of the Philippines and Attorney General, as an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. The committee also unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. Robert Jackson, Solicitor General, as Attorney General to succeed Mr. Murphy in President Roosevelt's Cabinet. The appointment of Judge Francis Biddle as Solicitor General was also approved unanimously.

A villager called to look at his old home, an isolated house, now disused, near Cheriton, Hampshire. It was this chance visit which saved the life of a man trapped 50 feet below ground in an old well-shaft. The man, Edward James Passey, aged 31, of Cannon-street, Winchester, had been there 22 hours. Caught in a downpour of rain, he walked up the path towards the house to shelter. Suddenly the ground gave way and he dropped into mud and water. The villager, walking round his old home, heard the trapped man's cries and ran for help.

The programme for the Fifteenth Sunday Symphony Concert to be given in the Lyceum Theatre on Sunday, January 21, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

"Reverie" ..... Scriabine
Two Songs with Orchestra acc. ..... Gretchianinow
Jadis tu m'as aimé
Berceuse
Vocalist: Ilse Marcuse.
Symphony No. 1 in G minor ..... Kalinnikow
Allegro moderato
Andante comodamente
Allegro non troppo
Allegro moderato
Sonetto 104 del Petrarca .. Liszt—Busoni
Vocalist: Max Kuttner.
Symphonic Poem ...."Don Juan" ..... Rich. Strauss
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

The general assembly of the Church of Christ in China, and the National Christian Council with the full approval of Madame Cheng have agreed to the erection of a memorial church in honour of her husband, in Kweiyang, Kweichow Province, which is the centre of the Church Mission Work whose founding and projection were under Dr. Cheng's leadership. More than two thousand dollars have already been received toward this Memorial. Those who feel constrained to have a part in the memorial may make their remittance to either: The General Assembly of the Church of Christ in China, 925 C.L.S. Building, 128 Museum Road, Shanghai, or 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road, Shanghai.

American Drowned In River Mishap

Member of Coolidge Crew, Two Chinese Boatmen Lost When Launch Founders

The treacherous currents of the Whangpoo River claimed the lives of an American seaman off the President Coolidge and two Chinese boatmen when the motor launch in which they were travelling was run down and sunk by another vessel off Pootung Point shortly after 5 a.m. yesterday. James B. Conroy, 26-year old American member of the crew of the President liner, who was also travelling in the launch at the time of the mishap, was rescued from drowning by a native cargo boat. Conroy could not indentify his fellow passenger beyond stating that he was a member of the Coolidge crew. The two Chinese who were drowned were Yang Sung-sze and Yang An, laodah and crewman of the motor launch.

Officials of the Customs River Police, who are investigating the affair, have not yet determined which vessel ran down the motor launch, although it is believed to be a tug. The motor launch has not been discovered and it is presumed that it was cut in half and sank to the bottom of the river immediately after the crash. The launch was the property of the Whangpoo Ferry Service, owned by G. E. Marden & Co., Ltd.

Efforts of the River Police to locate the sunken launch and the bodies of the three men who were drowned by dragging the Whangpoo River in the vicinity of the accident met with failure yesterday. In all probability the bodies have drifted downriver with the current.

Crew Check-up

The identity of the missing American seaman will not be revealed until a complete check-up of the entire crew of the ss. President Coolidge takes place. Local officials of the American President Lines said yesterday that they were expecting wireless information from the liner, giving the name of the missing member of the crew, at any moment.

The two Americans engaged the motor launch to take them from Pontoon No. 12 to the Coolidge at 5 a.m. yesterday. They had not gone far from the pontoon when their small motor vessel was run down by a larger tug which presumably cut the small craft in two and then vanished into the early morning darkness. Conroy was fished out of the water by the crew of a native cargo boat and taken to Pootung Point River Police Station where he made a statement to the police. After the River Police had obtained dry clothes for him from the liner Mr. Conroy was allowed to return to his ship.

Mr. Gordon Campbell, United States Marshal in Shanghai, was informed of the affair by the River Police yesterday morning and is awaiting further developments.

"Lone Battalion" to Start Factory

Interned Chinese Troops to Train As Craftsmen

Members of the "Lone Battalion," the Chinese soldiers who made their last gallant stand in Chapei more than two years ago just before the conclusion of the hostilities in the Shanghai area, and who have been interned in Kiaochow Road ever since, have decided to support themselves by turning into craftsmen, states a Chinese report.

It is stated that they are planning to establish a factory where they can manufacture articles for sale to make their own living. Details of the self-supporting plan for the 800 disarmed soldiers are not revealed but it is explained that $6,000 is needed for the purpose. So far, the "Lone Battalion" has obtained $3,500 while the remainder will have to be contributed by public-spirited people. A Government relief organization in Hongkong has been requested to raise the money.

The "Lone Battalion" here has been subsidized monthly by the Chinese Government at Chungking and in view of the continued financial support thus received from Chungking, members of the battalion have never started a contribution campaign although the Chinese here have voluntarily given them "comforts." In order to reduce the Government burden, the battalion has decided to support themselves.

Sikh Community Here Celebrates Holiday

Religious Services Mark Birthday of Apostle

Elaborate services in the four Sikh Gurdwaras in Shanghai were held yesterday to commemorate the birthday anniversary of Siri Guru Gobind Singh, the founder of the Sikh religion. The day was observed as a general holiday by all members of the community, most of whom had been granted the day off by their employers.

Religious ceremonies were held at the Temple located at 330 East Paoshing Road, near the Commercial Press building in Chapei. This Temple was destroyed during the 1932 and the 1937 hostilities but a portion of it has now been repaired by the Sikhs and in this portion the service was held.

Other services were held in the Chusan Road Gurdwara, the Police Gurdwara at Gordon Road and the Gurdwara in Tiendong Road. At the services prominent members of the Sikh community addressed large assemblies on the life of Siri Guru Gobind Singh, stressing his work for the Indian people. Throughout the day a free kitchen was conducted at the East Paoshing Road Gurdwara. Tea was served in the morning and dinners were served until 8 p.m.

River Police Assaulted

While carrying out patrol duties along Soochow Creek at 4 p.m. on Monday, Sergeant George Folkes of the Customs River Police and two Chinese members of the force became involved in an incident with a group of Chinese on a cargo junk loaded with cabbage. A short scuffle ensued during which Sgt. Folkes and his two assistants were slightly injured. The matter is being investigated by the River Police.

Mr. Hore-Belisha with the King

This picture was taken while Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha was still Secretary of State for War. He is seen coming down the steps of the War Office with his Majesty. He was due to explain his resignation to the House of Commons yesterday.

Trade Treaty Only One Point Among Many Outstanding

U.S. Secretary of State Says Negotiations in Tokyo Are Continuing; Americans Want Guarantee

Washington, Jan. 16.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, drew to Japan's attention during his press conference here yesterday that the expiring Japanese-American trade treaty of 1911 is only one of several matters now pending between the two Governments.

Although he did not name the other matters specifically, it was believed Mr. Hull was referring to American protests to Japan against Japanese violation of American rights and attacks on American nationals in China.

Mr. Hull was silent on the Tokyo announcement that Japan had presented the United States with a draft *modus vivendi* which Japan proposed as a substitute for the expiring trade treaty. Mr. Hull said he could not say whether such a proposal had been received from Japan. He said there had been no new developments in the Japanese-American trade situation, however.

Discreet Silence

While the State Department maintained a guarded silence over the change in the Japanese Cabinet today, diplomatic circles here predicted intensified Japanese efforts to reach an understanding in the Orient with the United States and Britain before the expiration of the Japanese-American Trade Treaty of 1911 on January 26.

Japanese circles characterized the new Yonai Government in Japan as a "strong cabinet" capable of vigorous, independent action to meet the extraordinary situation facing Japan.

Diplomatic quarters suggested that the Japanese *modus videndi* proposal might in some way be related with the change in the Japanese Cabinet because it is believed the new Cabinet in general is more friendly toward the Western Powers than was the Abe Cabinet. The new Government, it is believed, will be more free to pursue the energetic course necessary to effect such an agreement.

More Friendliness Desired

Informed quarters here commented on the resurgency of the Japanese navy group into power in Japan and said that it probably presaged renewed emphasis on friendly Japanese relations with Britain with whom Japanese naval quarters were said to have been consistently cordial.

The new Cabinet might bring a reversal to the status of the 1920's when the British Admiralty and the Japanese naval command co-operated closely along diplomatic lines, it was said.

Such a development, it was said, would be significant to the United States in halting the trend toward a naval construction race with Japan which, although costly and politically dangerous in Washington, would probably be disastrous economically to Japan who already is involved in a costly military adventure.

Informed quarters here believed there probably would be no drastic modification of Japanese military operations as a result of the Cabinet change in Tokyo but the change, it was said, might result in an altered policy toward the Western Powers in China.

Keen analysts here believed at first impression that the new Japanese Cabinet is better equipped with non-political and political prestige to effect a change in national policy than was the former Cabinet. They said this might be an essential requirement in working out any agreement between Japan and the United States.—United Press.

U.S. Wants Guarantee

Washington, Jan. 15.

Even a *modus vivendi* to regulate American-Japanese relations after January 26 is dependent on the essential condition that Japan formally guarantee respect for American interests in China, authoritative circles asserted today.

This attitude apparently was taken here following Japanese communication of certain proposals for the temporary maintenance of the "most favoured nation" clause of the expiring 1911 treaty.

Unless an absolute guarantee is forthcoming in the next ten days, however, a "non-treaty situation" will ensue.

This should not be confused, it was emphasized, with discrimination against Japanese commerce. All duties on Japanese goods imported into the United States naturally will rise, but Americans in Japan and Japanese interests in the U.S. will enjoy exactly the same rights as at present.

At the same time, it was pointed out that a reprisal tariff and embargo on certain goods could be enforced by Congress on very short notice if necessary.—Havas.

Treaty Abrogation Praised

Manila, Jan. 16.

The President of the Philippine-Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Sr. Alfonso Sycip, sent a message to President Roosevelt today praising the abrogation of the trade treaty with Japan, and urging the continuation of America's "fight for justice."

"We greatly admire your far sighted statesmanship in abrogating the American-Japanese commercial treaty," the message said, "as a means of fighting aggression and obtaining international justice. We urge the continuation of your fight for justice and that steps be taken to bring the aggressor to his senses and establish peace in the Orient."—United Press.

Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, was due to return to Chungking from Kweiyang, capital of Kweichow, yesterday, following the completion of a tour of inspection, says a Kweiyang message to the "Sin Wan Pao." A dinner reception was given in his honour yesterday in Kweiyang by Mr. Wu Ting-chang, Chairman of the Kweichow Provincial Government, the report adds.

Prob. Sergt. Crank Dies of Wounds

Junior Police Officer Passes Away Following Shooting

Probationary Sergeant Duncan Ernest Crank, aged 20, who was shot and seriously wounded in the Post Office compound at noon on January 10, died of his wounds at the General Hospital at 1 p.m. yesterday following a relapse earlier in the day.

As will be recalled, Prob. Sergt. Crank was shot when he attempted to compose a trouble which had developed between two factions of Post Office coolies. Two shots were fired and one of them seriously wounded him, the bullet entering his abdomen, traversing his liver and lodging near the back. An emergency operation was performed the same evening and his condition was steadily improving until 10 a.m. yesterday when a relapse set in. Three hours later he expired, surrounded by members of his large and widely known family.

Prob.-Sergt. Crank, who was born in Shanghai on August 4, 1919, was a pupil at the S. M. C. Public School and later was employed by the General Electric Co. (China) Ltd. During this time, he was a member of the Armoured Car Co., S.V.C. He joined the Shanghai Municipal Police on April 25, 1938, and had hardly finished his training course when he received his first commendation, being cited in Police orders for the arrest of a snatcher in December, 1938.

Very popular with all members of the S.M.P., Crank was an all-round sportsman, playing tennis, football and cricket for the police teams.

After seeing duty in the Chengtu District, Crank was attached to West Hongkew station until the time of his death.

Had Promising Career

The young police officer, who had a promising career before him, is survived by his mother, and Mr. A. H. Crank and Mr. A. L. Crank, also a Probationary Sergeant with the S.M.P., brothers. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Dunk residing in Kuala Lumpur, and was the brother-in-law of Det.-Inspector T. Darvill, Det.-Sergt. T. Rossington and of the late Inspector J. Hunter. Another of his sisters is the widow of Mr. Chetwood Crawley of the Chinese Maritime Customs, who was killed on the Yangtze below Hankow last year. His mother is the widow of an S.M.C. Revenue Department employee.

Immediately after news of Crank's death reached Police headquarters, Major K. M. Bourne, Commissioner of Police, published the following order:

"The Commissioner of Police deeply regrets to record the death of Probationary Sergeant Duncan Ernest Crank who died at the General Hospital today at 1 p.m. as a result of gunshot wounds received whilst in the execution of his duties. Prob.-Serg. Crank joined the Force on April 25, 1938, and was a most promising junior officer who was making excellent progress. The sympathy of every member of the Force will be with his mother and relatives in their sad bereavement.

The funeral will take place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery at 4 p.m. tomorrow.

Armed Robber Nabbed In Detective's Home

Intent on perpetrating an armed robbery in the home of a merchant at House 12, Lane 361 Rue Lafayette, at 7 a.m. yesterday, three men, one of them armed, evidently did not know that a Chinese detective of the French police lived in a room on the top floor of the building. While two men remained on guard outside the house, the armed man entered with pistol on hand and so frightened a young Chinese girl, that she started to cry very loudly. Presumably in an endeavour to quieten her, he fired a shot into the air and this proved to be the undoing of what could have possibly developed into a worth-while armed robbery, because the alert detective immediately came down and arrested the man.

His two accomplices managed to get away but questioning of the thug is likely to lead to their arrest within the next few days.

Prob. Sergt. D. Crank

Flour Prices Reach New Record

Hoarding Believed To Be Root of Trouble

The price of flour usually considered by the poor as a good substitute for rice has reached a new high record in Shanghai. With its price fluctuating around $10.29 per bag, the opinion has been expressed by the Chinese press that it is priced higher even than rice itself. Hope is expressed also that the matter will receive the attention of the public so that its price may be reduced.

It is pointed out that there has been a scanty supply of flour during the past few days owing to difficulties in transportation. The fact that its price has been increased in the north has caused merchants in Shanghai to hoard wheat and flour being reluctant to sell. Local Chinese flour mills are trying to buy foreign flour but it is stated that negotiations are difficult to carry out it being asserted that the price of foreign flour is also highly fixed and that it is very difficult to book ships for transporting the flour to Shanghai. Australian and American flour is said to be priced at between $24 and $25.

Fully supported by Settlement and Concession authorities, the Shanghai Rice Distribution Committee is busily preparing to distribute more than 20,000 bags of ground Saigon rice to the poor at a very cheap price. The date previously fixed for the distribution has now been changed to January 21 from Thursday of this week. One hundred rice shops will distribute the rice.

Commanders Exchange Courtesy Calls

Rear-Admiral Shuichiro Higuchi, Commander of the Japanese Shanghai Area Naval Base, at 10.20 o'clock on Monday morning paid a return visit to Col. de Witt Peck, Commander of the Fourth U. S. Marines, at his headquarters on Sinza Road. Col. Peck called on Rear-Admiral Higuchi on Friday.

Major-Gen. Seizo Sakurai, representing Lieut.-Gen. Susumu Fujita, Commander of Japanese Forces in the Shanghai area, and Major-Gen. Seiken Hasegawa, Commander of Japanese Defence Forces here, returned a visit of Col. Peck at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

New Government to Meet at Tsingtao

Mr. Wang Ching-Wei Will Name Ministers Soon

Having secured co-operation from Tokyo in organizing a new central government in China, those Kuomintang officials who are affiliated with the peace movement led by Mr. Wang Ching-wei are busily engaged in organizing the Central Political Council which will meet to select the various ministers of the new regime in the making, Chinese reports indicate.

The "Sin Shun Pao" states that in order to discuss the agenda of the meeting of the Central Political Council Mr. Wang Ching-wei will represent the "orthodox" Kuomintang in a preliminary conference to be held "somewhere." Mr. Wang Keh-min, Chairman of the Provisional Government in Peiping, and Mr. Liang Hung-chi, President of the Executive Yuan of the "Reformed Government" at Nanking, will attend the conference which will be held before the end of this month.

Mr. Wang's own organ, the "Central China Daily News," reports that the Central Political Council will soon be convened. Preparatory to holding the conference a discussion will be held in Tsingtao before the end of this month.

McMillen Gets Guam Navy Post

Washington, Jan. 16.

The United States Navy announced yesterday that Captain George J. McMillen, commander of the repair ship Medusa, will become Governor of Guam and Commandant of the Guam Naval Station about January 27.—United Press.

was present on behalf of the

Winter Comforts for Chinese Soldiers

Forfeit Of New Year Funds Suggested

In response to Chungking's latest appeal for comforts for Chinese soldiers during the Lunar New Year period by asking the Chinese to save their celebration expenses, Chinese public bodies in Shanghai are reported to be making arrangements for launching a publicity campaign on February 10 to urge people to contribute money to the Government through Government banks.

The movement was recently started by the National Soldiers' Comforts Committee at Chungking, which has sent out a nation-wide appeal for thrift during the Lunar New Year period so that big sums of celebration funds much of which will be spent in a meaningless way will be contributed to the Government.

The new movement is officially known as the "Spring Soldier Comforting Movement" and the contribution campaign sponsored by those in charge of the movement will be started by all branches of the special committee in Chungking. The date for starting the campaign has been fixed at February 10, or the third day of the first moon in the Lunar calendar. Between the first day and 15th day of the first moon the Chinese are apt to spend on a lavish scale to celebrate the new year.

In H.M. Supreme Court before Judge Sir Allan Mossop yesterday a motion on behalf of Aircraft (China) Ltd. for leave to file a return of an allotment of shares out of time was granted. Mr. P. Watkin Williams appeared for the company and Mr. John McNeill, the Crown Advocate, Registrar of Companies.

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£1 @ 4 1/32d.	$ 49.87
U.S. $100 @ 7 1/16	$1,259.84
Francs 353	$100
Yen 33 3/4	100
Guilders 14 3/4	100
Rupees 26 3/8	100
Pesos 15 1/8	100
Hongkong $32 1/8	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 1/16d.	$ 48.60
U.S. $100 @ 8 1/16	$1,221.37
London—demand, $1=	4 1/32d.
4 months' sight credits	5 d.
4 months' sight docts	5 1/32d.
6 months' sight credits	5 3/32d.
6 months' sight docts	5 5/32d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S.$8 3/8
4 months' sight credits	U.S.$8 1/4
4 months' sight docts	U.S.$8 3/8

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling 4 3/32d.	U.S. $8 3/32
Hongkong/London	1/2 1/16

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Netherlands Guilders	Buying 15 1/2
Java Guilders	" 15 3/8
Netherlands Guilders	Selling 15
Java Guilders	" 14 7/8

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Buying	U.S.$100=$1,230.769	£1=$48.917
Selling	U.S.$100=$1,259.853	£1=$49.870

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Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest 4 3/32	Lowest 4 1/32
U.S. G.$	8 1/16	8 1/32
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	SELLING	BUYING
	Cash	January
£ T.T.	4 7/32	4 m/s. l.c. 5
G.$ T.T.	8 1/16	4 m/s. l.c. 8 3/16
Fcs. T.T.	357	4 m/s. 372
Rs. T.T.	27 1/32	15 d/s. 27 1/32

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	21 3/8	21 1/4
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	61.01	—
Bombay offtake 25 bars.		

NEW YORK/LONDON CROSS RATES

New York closing Rate for Cash	3.97 3/8
Local sellers U.S.$ for Cash	3.97 1/8
Local buyers U.S.$ for Cash	3.97 3/8

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 3/32 sterling and 8.– U.S.$.

The interbank market opened with spot sellers at 4 3/32 sterling and 8.– U.S.$. On the whole the market was steady, and during the day rates gradually advanced. In response to small selling from Hongkong for near sterling, the market closed with sellers at:—

4 3/32	sterling	8 3/32	U.S.$ Cash
4 3/16	"	8 1/16	" Jan-
4 3/32	"	7 15/16	" Feb.

Yesterday's Rice Prices

Changshu, per shih (176 lb.)	$40.00
Sungkiang "	37.80
Saigon "	37.50

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Closing Jan. 15.

Japan	79 1/8	London	1/5 3/32
New York	333	2 mths	
Shanghai	28 1/2	" (sellers)	1/5 1/32
Hongkong	83 3/4	" (buyers)	1/6 3/32
		Japan	81
		2 mths	79 5/8

London & Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.5u	Shanghai	5d
Paris	176.50	Bombay	1/6 1/16
Berlin	—	Hongkong	1/2 1/32
Amsterdam	7.50	Singapore	2/4 3/32
Brussels	23.80	Yokohama	1/2 5/16
Madrid	39.00	" (buying)	1/2 7/16
Milan	77.75	Prague	—
Berne	17.85	Bangkok	1/10 5/16

*—Unofficial rates.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Montreal	88.125
Spain	9.95	Brazil	5.10
Holland	53.20	Japan	23.49
Paris	2.25 1/2	Shanghai	8.10
Brussels	16.80	Hungary	17.60
Italy	5.05	Rumania	0.73
S'zerland	22.43	Greece	0.73
Sweden	23.83 1/2	Bulgaria	Unq.
Norway	22.72 1/4	Finland	1.90
Denmark	19.32 1/2	Yugo Slavia	2.35

*—Paid. Bid.

London	3.97 5/8
" Demand	3.97 3/8
Buenos Aires Paper	Unquoted
" Commercial 60 days bills	"
Buenos Aires Paper	Unquated
Buenos Aires Paper, Market rate	22.75
Montreal on London	4.51 1/2

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Jan. 13.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/8%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 3/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3 1/4%
Call Money		0 3/4%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/2%B 0 3/8%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 3/8%B 0 1/2%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Jan. 15.

The Bourse opened extremely weak today owing to unfavourable interpretations of international developments.

During the session, some stocks managed to regain part of their losses, but closing prices were generally at a lower level than last Friday.—Havas.

Silver Quotations

London, Jan. 16.

Silver prices advanced today the quotations being:—

	Jan. 15	Jan. 16
London spot	21 3/4d.	22 1/16d.
" forward	21 3/4d.	22 1/16d.
" gold	168/–	168/–

Cross Rates

Yesterday's Closing

London/New York	U.S.$4.0250	59.627d.
New York/London	3.97	60.36d.

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

After a quiet opening the market met heavy profit taking until by the morning's close prices in most cases had dropped about 10 per cent. in rubber issues. This weakness lead to selling of industrials also. The afternoon saw a fairly good recovery though most prices were considerably below the days best levels. The volume in industrials was fairly heavy but there was no real liquidation except in the cheaper rubber issues.

Official Averages

1940 High	1940 Low		Today's Averages	Change
244.54	105.32	General	232.69	— 0.77
395.68	95.55	Rubbers	345.87	—18.38

Total 674,702 shares, 90 bonds.

Business Done

Power 5 1/2% Debs.				4000	88.00	
Central Prop		2400	17.50	200	17.70	
	900	17.80	500	18.00	100	*17.80
	†100	17.90	100	17.80	400	*17.90
I. I. Trust			5000	14.00	500	13.90
	1000	*14.00	1000	14.00	500	13.80
	1500	13.80	1500	13.70	500	*13.60
	2000	13.50	500	13.40	1000	13.50
	1500	13.40	500	*13.20		
	†1000	13.30	500	13.40	500	13.50
	1000	13.60				
S'hai Loan			1500	*16.90	500	17.00
	500	*17.00	500	16.90	500	16.80
	500	*16.80	1000	16.70	500	16.80
	1000	16.70	1000	16.60	500	16.70
	2000	16.60	1000	16.50	1000	16.40
	†500	16.20	2000	16.30	500	*16.30
	500	16.50	500	16.60	2000	16.50
	1500	16.60				
Yangtsze Finance			500	12.60	500	*12.60
	1000	12.70	1000	*12.60	3500	12.60
	1000	12.50	500	12.40	1000	*12.30
	1000	12.00				
	†500	12.00	500	12.10	1000	12.30
	2500	12.40				
Int. Assurance			500	13.60	1000	13.50
	500	13.40	500	13.00		
	†500	13.10				
China Realty			1500	9.65	1500	*9.65
	4000	9.70	2500	9.65	1500	9.60
	†500	9.55	2500	9.50	500	*9.50
	500	9.55	1000	9.50		
S'hai Land			2500	14.50	3500	14.70
	1500	14.60	2500	14.50	500	*14.50
	†2000	14.50	2500	14.40	3000	14.50
	500	*14.50				
New Eng. (Ord)			100	22.75	300	*22.75
	3700	23.00	1800	22.75	800	*22.50
	400	22.50	100	22.25	200	22.50
	100	22.25	100	22.50		
	†300	22.50	700	22.75	900	22.50
	100	22.75				
S'hai Dock			100	240.00	50	*240.00
Wheelock			500	*77.50	100	*77.00
	100	77.50	200	77.00	200	*77.00
	100	*76.50				
	†200	77.50				
C. G. Omnibus			100	*25.00	100	25.75
	100	26.00	300	26.25	100	*26.25
	100	26.00	400	26.25	200	26.50
	900	26.25	500	26.00	100	*26.00
	1000	25.75	400	*25.75	600	25.50
	400	25.25	100	25.00		
	†200	25.25	200	25.00	400	26.25
	1000	25.50				
S'hai Gas			500	14.60	600	14.50
	100	14.70	700	14.60	300	*14.70
	†1000	*14.70				
Telephone			100	23.25	800	23.50
	700	23.75	700	24.00	200	*24.25
	200	24.25	500	24.50	400	24.25
	200	*24.00	400	24.00	600	*24.25
	300	24.00	200	23.50	500	23.25
	†200	23.25	100	23.50	100	23.75
Tram (Bearer)	£1				200	45.50
	500	45.75	600	*45.75	400	45.50
	500	*45.50				
Metal			400	19.40	2100	19.50
	100	*19.80	1400	19.80	500	*19.90
	1700	20.00	200	*20.00	100	*20.25
	100	*20.50	1000	20.75	100	*20.50
	200	20.75	900	20.25	1100	20.75
	100	*20.50	4300	20.75	100	*20.75
	200	*20.50	100	20.50	1800	20.60
	100	*20.00	400	19.90	400	19.70
	200	*19.70	500	19.80	100	19.90
	200	20.00	200	19.90	800	19.80
	400	*19.90	300	19.90	100	*19.80
	400	19.90	1000	19.80	300	19.70
	†200	19.70	200	19.80	200	19.70
	100	19.60	300	19.50	300	19.60
	300	19.70	200	19.80	100	*19.70
	100	19.70	700	19.80	600	19.70
Lumber			200	*40.50	X.D. 200	40.00
	†100	40.50				
Exploration			1500	11.20	500	*11.40
	1500	11.40	1000	11.30	2000	11.20
	500	*11.20	1000	11.10	500	11.20
	2500	11.10	500	11.10	5500	11.00
	1000	10.90	500	10.60	4000	10.50
	500	10.60	2000	10.50	1000	10.60
	500	*10.60	2000	10.70	500	10.80
	500	10.70	2000	10.80	2000	10.70
	2500	10.60	1000	10.50		
	†4500	10.50	500	*10.50	500	10.60
	500	10.50	2500	10.60	1500	10.70
	4500	10.80	1000	*10.80	1500	10.90
Power (Pref)			260	128.25	50	128.50
	50	128.75				
	†50	129.00				
Ewo Mills (Ord)			300	*36.00	1400	36.00
	300	35.75	100	*35.75	1800	35.50
	100	*35.50	100	*35.25	300	35.50
	200	35.25	200	35.50	100	35.25
	100	*35.50	1400	35.25	200	35.50
	1200	35.25	100	*35.25	500	35.00
	100	*35.00	100	34.75	300	34.50
	100	*34.50	100	34.75	200	34.50
	100	34.75	500	34.50	100	34.75
	200	*34.75	1000	34.50	100	*34.25
	300	34.25	900	34.00	200	34.25
	100	34.00				
	†100	34.25	100	*34.00	500	34.00
	200	34.25	200	34.00	100	*34.25
	200	34.25	600	34.50	300	34.25
	500	34.50	300	34.75	300	34.50
	100	34.75	600	34.50	200	*34.50
	100	34.75	300	34.50		
S'hai Cotton					50	170.00
Anglo Dutch			100	22.00	100	21.50
	300	21.25				
	†200	22.25				
Anglo Java			100	*44.75	200	44.50
	100	44.25	1000	44.00	1200	43.50
	100	43.25	700	43.00	100	*43.00
	800	42.75	1200	42.50	600	42.00
	†500	43.25	700	43.50	400	43.25
	100	43.50				
Batu Anam			1000	2.17 1/2	100	2.20
	1000	2.17 1/2	2000	2.15	3000	2.10
	2000	2.00				
	†2000	1.98	1000	*1.96	1000	1.97
	1000	*2.07 1/2	2000	2.10	1000	2.15
	2000	2.20				
Bute					500	10.10
	†2000	10.20				
Java Consolidated					1000	5.80
	1000	5.75	1000	5.65	1000	5.60
	1000	5.55	1000	5.50		
	†1000	5.75				
Kroewoek			1000	3.45	1000	3.50
	1000	*3.42 1/2	10000	3.42 1/2	5000	3.25
	5000	3.20				
	†1000	3.25	1000	3.20	5000	3.40
	1000	3.33 1/2				
Langkat			200	29.25	100	29.50
	500	29.25	200	29.00	100	28.75
	100	28.50	600	28.00	100	27.50
	200	27.75	800	27.50		
	†100	27.50	300	27.75	1000	*27.50
	100	*28.25	600	28.50		
Padang			1000	3.30	1000	3.00
Repah			2000	1.90	1000	1.80
	1000	1.82	2000	*1.78	3000	1.70
	1000	1.72				
	†2000	1.88	2000	1.90	2000	1.92
	1000	1.94	4000	1.93	2000	*1.90
	1000	1.96				
Rubber Trust			1500	10.00	1000	9.90
	2000	9.80	500	9.70	1500	9.60
	500	9.50				
	†1000	9.35	1500	9.45	2000	9.50
	500	*9.60	500	9.75	500	9.90
	1000	9.80	500	9.85	500	9.90
Samagaga			2000	2.35	1000	2.22 1/2
	2000	2.25				
	†1000	2.35	4000	2.40		
Senawang			1000	2.42 1/2	1000	2.40
	3000	2.42 1/2	7000	2.40	1000	2.30
	1000	2.25	1000	2.20	3000	2.25
	†3000	2.25	3000	2.22 1/2	6000	2.27 1/2
	4000	2.40	1000	2.45	6000	2.50
	3000	*2.50	2000	2.45	4000	2.40
	7000	2.42 1/2				
Kelantan			2000	1.42	12000	1.40
	1000	1.38	3000	*1.36	1000	1.38
	3000	1.38	9000	1.36	2000	1.35
	1000	*1.32	4000	1.30	8000	1.29
	2000	*1.24	2000	1.24	4000	1.25
	3000	1.20	2000	1.26		
	†2000	1.22	1000	*1.24	1000	1.25
	5000	1.36	2000	1.38	13000	1.40
	1000	*1.42	1000	1.44	1000	1.42
	7000	1.44	1000	*1.44	1000	1.42
	3000	1.40				
Pahang					1000	7.00
	†1000	7.10	1000	7.20	2000	7.50
Sumatra					700	33.00
	†800	*31.75				
Sungei Duri					200	*73.00
Tanah Merah			1000	4.30	3000	4.20
	2000	4.00				
Tebong			5000	2.12 1/2	5000	2.10
	6000	2.07 1/2	3000	2.05	1000	2.07 1/2
	1000	*2.05	1000	2.05	9000	2.02 1/2
	1000	2.00	1000	2.02 1/2	5000	2.00
	2000	1.94	2000	*1.94	2000	1.92
	5000	1.90	6000	1.86		
	†4000	*1.88	6000	1.90	4000	*1.90
	2000	2.00	2000	*2.00	1000	2.05
	2000	2.10	1000	*2.07 1/2	1000	2.10
	1000	2.12 1/2	2000	2.15	5000	2.10
	8000	2.12 1/2	2000	*2.12 1/2	6000	2.10
	1000	2.12 1/2	1000	2.10		
Ziangbe			800	32.00	100	31.50
	300	31.25	100	31.00	300	30.75
	300	30.50				
	†200	30.50	100	31.00	700	31.75
	200	31.50				
Kapayang					200	33.00
Metro. Land					500	9.00
Cathay Land 6% Debs. 1933					†5000	50.00
Seremban					†1000	3.35
Semambu					†2000	2.10
Chemor		†1000	3.50		1000	3.45
	2000	3.50				
Cheng		†4000	1.20		2000	1.25
	2000	*1.22	4000	*1.20	2000	1.30
	1000	*1.34	3000	1.30	1000	1.34
	3000	1.36	2000	*1.36		
Consolidated					†2000	10.00
Kota		†3000	6.80		1000	6.90
	1000	7.00				
Sua Manggis					†1000	3.20
Tanah Merah		†2000	4.00		3000	4.20
	2000	4.25	2000	4.30		

ODD LOTS

New Eng. (Ord)					50	23.00
China Realty		335	9.60		200	9.60
	†100	*9.55				
S'hai Loan		300	16.70		100	*16.80
Exploration		300	11.00		640	11.20
	100	11.20	100	11.20	200	10.80
	†200	10.60	100	10.60	300	10.50
	200	10.80				
S'hai Land		100	14.90		200	14.80
	100	*14.80				
	†200	14.60				
C. G. Omnibus					50	*26.50
Yangtsze Finance					20	12.50
Ewo Mills (Ord)		50	35.00		50	34.25
	500	34.24				
Kroewoek					500	3.45
	†500	3.42 1/2				
Senawang					900	2.40
Java Consolidated					500	5.25
Tebong					†600	2.02 1/2
Batu Anam					†250	2.17 1/2
Chemor					†250	3.57 1/2
Consolidated					†50	10.30
Bute					†100	10.10
Tram (Bearer)	£1				†50	46.00
Repah					†245	1.92
Kelantan					†2	1.40

*—Direct Business.
†—Afternoon Business.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 15.

The Stock Exchange was weaker today on renewed international uncertainties, but losses in most groups were only small, owing to the absence of selling pressure.

British gilt-edged securities tended to drift downward.—Reuter.

	Jan. 12	15
War Loan 3 1/2% (Red.)	£96 1/16	95 1/4

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan 1907	54	53 1/2
Japan 6% Stg. Loan 1924	58 1/2	58

Osaka, Jan. 16.

Kogo 5%	Y.105.92

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	14/3	14/3
Armstrong Stevens	6—	6/-
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	36/4 1/2	36/1 1/2
Austin Motors, ord.	15/9	15/9
Bristol Aeroplane	15/4 1/2	15/3
British American Tob.	98/1 1/2	96/3
Cable & W., new form	57 1/2	57 1/2
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/10 1/2	7/7 1/2
Courtaulds	35/10 1/2	34/9
Distillers	67/3	66/6
Dunlop Rubber	23/1 1/2	23/6
General Elec. (Eng.)	75/4 1/2	75/4 1/2
Guinness (A.) Son & Co.	77/6	77/6
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	14/6	13/9*
Imp. Chem. Indus.	30/1 1/2	29/9
Imp. Tobacco	116/3	114/4 1/2
Leyland Motors	77/6	75/-*
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	52/3	52/1 1/2
Pressed Steel, com.	15/6	15/3
Rolls-Royce	90/-	90/-
Smethwick Drop Forgings	13/6	13/6
Tate & Lyle	56/-	55/6
Turner & Newall	63/9	63/-
United Steel	21/10 1/2	21/10 1/2
Vickers ord.	17/10 1/2	17/6
Woolworths	63/-	61/3*

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	26/-	25/7 1/2
Rubber Pltn. Inv. Trust	34/1 1/2	33/9

MINES

Burma Corp.	11/6	11/3
Commonwealth Min.	Unq.	Unq.
Marsman Invests.	14/6	14/9
Randfontein Ests.	36/10 1/2	36/10 1/2
Sub-Nigel	198/9	197/6
Tanami Gold Min.	3d.	3d.
Western Holidings	12/3	11/9

OILS

Anglo-Iranian	56/10 1/2	56/10 1/2
Burmah	61/10 1/2	62/6
Mexican Eagle	6/10 1/2	6/6
Shell Trans. & Trad.	70/10 1/2	70/10 1/2

*—Ex dividend.

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4 1/2% Gold Loan, 1898	£60	60
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	52	50
4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan	50	50
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	30	30
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	44	42
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	12	12
5% Honan Rly., 1905	16	16
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	19	19
5% " " (Ger. Is.)	17	17
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	20	20
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	16	16
5% " " (Supl. Loan) B.	16	16
5% " " (Supl. Loan) G.	16	16
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	16	16
S'hai Elec. Construction	13/-	13/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	12	12
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	24 3/4	24 3/4
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8 5/8	8 5/8
H'kong & S'hai Bank	86 1/2	85
(Col. Reg.)	88	87
Mercantile Bank of India	11 3/4	11 3/4
Chinese Eng. & Min.	18/-	18/-
Chosen Corp.	6/6	6/6
Pekin Syndicate	1/6	1/6
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	23/1 1/2	21/10 1/2

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 15.

Tin ruled easier in sympathy with Far Eastern advices, coupled with the continued paucity of consuming demand.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 11 1/16 —1/16; sellers 11 1/8 —1/16; February delivery, buyers 11 1/16 unch; sellers 11 3/4 —1/16.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Jan. 8.71 +6; Mar. 8.68 +6; May 8.65 +7; July 8.58 +8; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 contract: Jan. 10.55 +12; Mar. 10.70 +12; May 10.84 +15; July 10.88 +17;

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £243 —3/4; 3 mths sellers £242 1/4 —3/4; Tin, Straits £268 —1/2; Antimony, China Regulus, c.i.f. per ton £76 to £80 Nominal, unchanged.

New York Metals: Antimony, Chinese, in carload lots (25 tons), f.o.b. New York, Duty paid, 16 1/2 cents per lb., unchanged. Tin, Straits, c.i.f., New York (25 ton lots) 47 1/2 cents per pound, unchanged. Copper, Electrolytic, first hand, 12 1/2 cents per lb., unchanged.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Jan. 16	Big Prices a.m. Closing		p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.21	S	.21	S
Antamok	.16		.165	S
Baguio Gold	.24	S	.24	S
Batong Buhay	.014	S	.015	S
Benguet Consolidated	5.00	S		
Big Wedge	.215		.22	
Coco Grove	.14	S	.15	S
Consolidated Mines	.0035	S	.0035	S
Demonstration	.11		.115	
East Mindanao	.115	S	.115	S
I. X. L.	.405	S	.405	S
Ipo Gold	.135		.13	
Itogon	.275	S	.28	S
Masbate Consolidated	.11	S	.11	S
Mine Operations	.115		.115	
North Camarines	.15	S	.15	S
Paracale Gumaus	.205	S	.205	S
San Mauricio	.87	S	.88	S
Surigao Consolidated	.185		.18	
Suyoc	.135	S	.135	S
Syndicate Investment	.025		.$26	S
United Paracale	.315	S	.315	S
Mindanao Motherlode	.09		.0925	S

*—Over counter.
S—Sales.

Turnover for the Morning: 101,800 Pesos.

Shares Index: (Morning Session) 79.19.—Reuter.

Central Properties Ltd.

As a meeting of the directors of Central Properties Limited, held yesterday, to consider the accounts for the year ended December 31, 1939, it was decided, subject to final audit, to recommend to shareholders at the seventh ordinary general meeting, to be held on February 6, the payment of a dividend of 15 per cent. for the year 1939 on the issued capital of $1,800,000.

Shanghai Dec. Foreign Trade

Imports Total $33,222,359 Exports $82,899,799 Noted From the Customs Returns

A grand total of $33,222,359 for foreign imports from abroad during December, 1939, swelling the January-December figure to $580,098,290, as against $269,092,315 for the same perod in 1938, is noted from the returns issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs for Shanghai. Exports totalled $82,899,799 for December and $591,703,197 for January-December, compared with $222,181,071 in 1938.

Net Imports

Including Bond Withrawals

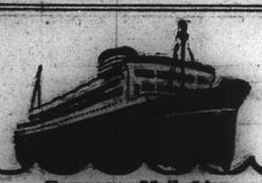
	Dec. 1938 C.S.$	Jan.-Dec. 1939 C.S.$
Cotton P. G. grey	17,216	1,321,854
Piece white or dyed	132,089	2,699,396
Piece printed	11,978	307,136
Piece miscellaneous	11,515	706,201
Cotton raw, yarn	12,530,250	156,440,943
Cotton manu, sundry	11,132	818,050
Flax, ramie, hemp	426,517	6,885,497
Wool and manu.	622,326	18,698,611
Silk	594,055	12,674,744
Metals and ore	1,221,482	35,205,365
Machinery and tools	565,768	20,095,709
Vehicles and vessels	444,135	9,371,372
Metal manu.	625,693	14,149,356
Fishery products	256,991	3,406,394
Canned goods	321,996	5,369,322
Cereals and flour	4,102,452	41,311,631
Fruits, seeds	679,335	7,977,151
Medicinal goods	426,076	3,871,524
Sugar	744,098	10,619,069
Wines, beer	85,327	2,061,176
Tobacco	745,518	31,656,470
Pharmaceuticals	1,278,461	28,340,096
Dyes, varnishes	1,012,223	23,286,358
Candles, resins, etc.	2,286,060	45,869,776
Books, maps, paper	1,467,271	24,974,632
Hides, leather, etc.	219,625	4,223,552
Timber	500,828	11,125,263
Bamboo, straw, etc.	206,876	4,123,588
Coal, fuel, tar	563,696	24,255,060
Chinaware, etc.	117,102	1,899,432
Stone, earth	102,538	2,088,574
Sundry	905,702	22,252,494
Grand Total	33,222,359	580,098,299

Net Exports

Animal products	8,867,911	102,121,066
Hides, leather	1,606,370	13,201,871
Fish products	129,307	1,121,100
Beans and peas	761,882	6,429,436
Cereals	662,969	21,823

TRAVEL AND SHIPPING

N.Y.K. LINE



Orient-San Francisco Line
via Honolulu
*KAMAKURA MARU ... Jan. 24
*from Kobe
ASAMA MARU ..... Feb. 17

Orient-Seattle Line
via Vancouver
From Kobe
HEIAN MARU ..... Jan. 28
HIKAWA MARU ..... Feb. 9

Orient-New York Line
via Los Angeles and Panama
SAKITO MARU ..... Jan. 30

Japan-Australia Line
via Hongkong and Manila
From Nagasaki
KITANO MARU ..... Jan. 22
KAMO MARU ..... Feb. 19

European Mail Line
Naples, Marseilles and Liverpool
via Hongkong and Straits
*HAKOZAKI MARU .... Feb. 5
*Special call at Casablanca and Lisbon

Bombay and Calcutta Line
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta
NAGARA MARU .... Jan. 28
Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Kundla and Karachi
OKITU MARU ..... Feb. 2

Orient-South America Line
via San Francisco
From Kobe
ATAGO MARU ..... Jan. 26

For Japan
Kobe and Yokohama
SUWA MARU ..... Jan. 29

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LLOYD TRIESTINO

ss. CONTE VERDE
from Italy via Bombay, Colombo, Singapore, Manila and Hongkong
is due in Shanghai on
Thursday, January 18, at about 8 a.m.
at Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf.

Tender meeting incoming passenger leaving Custom Jetty at about 8 a.m.

No visitors allowed on tender or on board unless in possession of a Customs Pass

ss. CONTE VERDE leaving for Europe on Sunday, January 21, at 2.30 p.m.
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NEW YORK SERVICE

Vessel	Sails N.Y.	Sails L.A.	Sails S.F.	Sails Manila	Sails H'kong.	Arr. S'hai
ms. IVARAN	—	—	Jan. 16	Feb. 11	Feb. 14	Feb. 17
ms. SORHOLT	—	Jan. 18	Jan. 22	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Feb. 21
ms. REINHOLT	Jan. 27	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Mar. 13	Mar. 16	Mar. 19
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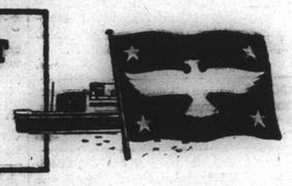

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PRES. COOLIDGE	Mar. 12	PRES. COOLIDGE	May 7

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PRES. COOLIDGE	Apr. 24	PRES. PIERCE	Aug. 1

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	(Wayside Wharf)	(Wayside Wharf)
TAIYO MARU	Jan. 19	Jan. 22 at 5.30 a.m.

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DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal part. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From LISBON
Torrens 10/12 30/1

From TRIESTE
C. Verde 21/12 18/1
Fusijama 21/11 20/1
Himalaya 21/12 7/2

From KARACHI
Sumatra 27/12 20/1

From SINGAPORE
C. Verde 9/1 18/1
Fusijama 1/1 20/1
Tegelberg 15/1 22/1

From SOERABAYA
Tjibadak 12/1 29/1

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK
A. Maersk 9/12 26/1
Mokihana — 10/2
Sophocles 24/12 14/2
Ivaran — 17/2
Sorholt 30/12 21/2
Laura Maersk 10/1 25/2

From SAVANNAH
Laura Maersk 15/1 25/2

From LOS ANGELES
A. Maersk 30/12 26/1
Asama M. 1/1 10/2
Sophocles 16/1 14/2
Tatuta M. 15/1 24/2

From SEATTLE
Collingsworth 13/1 7/2

From PORTLAND
Agra 23/12 28/1

From HONOLULU
Asama M. 9/1 10/2

From KOBE
Taiyo M. 17/1 19/1

From NAGASAKI
Nasasaki M. 19/1 20/1

From KEELUNG
Tyosa M. 16/1 18/1

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN
Tegelberg 15/12 22/1
Ruys 17/1 24/2

From MOMBASA
Tegelberg 2/1 22/1

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN
Hoten M. 17/1 19/1

PASSENGER LISTS

DEPARTURES

Per President Coolidge, Jan. 16, for **Kobe:** Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Turnbull, Miss B. M. Turnbull, Mr. F. De Jong, Mrs. O. Keller, Mr. Hedisato Ueta, Mr. W. Baer, Mr. J. Brechner, Mr. J. E. Dweck, Mr. A. G. Hard, Mr. C. Watanakasem, Mr. Chang Chung Ming, Mrs. R. Sherell, Mr. C. Erahn, Mr. A. Henderson, Mr. Mark D. Levy, Mrs. W. Baer, Mr. Wm. Hirzel, Mr. A. M. West, Mrs. A. C. Hard, Mrs. C. W. Hepner, Mr. H. W. Siegel, Mr. S. Shvetz, Mr. O. Keller, Mr. Ezra Attar, Mr. A. G. Denbigh, Mr. J. R. Morris, Mr. J. Naim, Mr. Colomb, Mrs. Colomb, Mr. V. Ogilvie, Mrs. A. M. West, for **Honolulu:** Mr. C. A. Cooper, Mrs. P. G. Tate, Mrs. Virginia Wight, Mr. R. E. Copp, Miss J. M. Tate, Mr. P. G. Tate, Mr. D. D. Wight, for **San Francisco:** Mr. Kent Lutey, Mrs. A. R. Jayson, Mrs. J. K. Poteat, Miss C. B. Conner, Mr. J. J. Cussen, Dr. W. B. Pettus, Miss P. A. Rose, Sir Victor Sassoon, Mr. W. C. Scott, Mrs. C. T. Crowe, Mr. J. J. Fibiger, Mr. Max Braustein, Mr. J. P. Sorenson, Miss Hsueh Cheng, Mrs. D. F. Shoemaker, Mr. C. J. Baker, Dr. K. C. Reinhardt, Mr. A. V. Pettitt, Comdr. F. S. Conner, Mr. F. M. Giles, Mr. E. H. Staber, Mrs. W. B. Pettus, Mrs. E. N. Rose, Mr. Ma Wing Chung, Mrs. W. C. Scott, Sir Herbert Phillips, Mrs. J. J. Fibiger, Miss Liu Shi-Fang, Mrs. A. Grober, Miss Tsiang Yoong, Mr. R. Wright, Miss M. Baker, Mr. A. R. Jayson, Mr. J. K. Potat, Mrs. G. B. Conner, Mr. S. R. Schuss, Mrs. J. Davis, Jr. Mr. E. N. Rose, Miss M. E. Rose, Mr. C. Y. Liang, Mr. C. T. Crowe, Miss Phillips, Lt. Comadr. J. C. Kimball. Mr. L. Brown, Miss Helen Sih-Ho Zee, Mrs. R. Wright, Mrs. C. Betuel, for **Los Angeles:** Miss F. Shamlin Mr. C. Fritz, Mr. R. E. Gilleland, Mr. J. D. Skwirskis, Pay Clerk H. L. Geoghegan, Mrs. W. Tornroth, Mrs. R. E. Gilleland, Dr. A. W. Truman, Mrs. H. L. Geoghegan, Miss M. L. & Master H. R. Geoghegan, Miss A. Strasburg.

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The undermentioned vessels are due to sail from Shanghai upon the dates indicated.

For LIVERPOOL
Hakozaki Maru 5/2

For OSLO
Triton 29/1

For GENOA
C. Verde 21/1

For BOMBAY
Nagara Maru 28/1
Okitu Maru 2/2

For CAPETOWN
Tegelberg 23/1
Ruys 29/2

For JAVA
Tjinegara 18/1
Tjibadak 1/2

For NEW YORK
Tamesis 22/1
Sakito Maru 30/1
M. Maersk 1/2
Kansai Maru 5/2
L. Maersk 17/2

For SAN FRANCISCO
Agra 1/2
P. Taft 3/2
P. Cleveland 12/2
Asama Maru 17/2
P. Pierce 26/2

For SEATTLE
Collingsworth 9/2

For YOKOHAMA
Suwa Maru 29/1

For KOBE
Taiyo Maru 22/1

For NAGASAKI
Nagasaki Maru 21/1

For DAIREN
Dairen Maru 18/1
Hoten Maru 21/1
Tsingtao Maru 24/1
Dairen Maru 26/1
Hoten Maru 29/1
Tsingtao Maru 1/2

VESSELS LEAVING (Cont.)

STRAITS AND EUROPE

TRITON Jan. 29. ADEN, PORT SUDAN, PORT SAID, CASABLANCA, BERGEN and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.—Motorship Triton of the Wilhelmsen Lines will be despatched from Shanghai for the above-mentioned ports on or about January 29. For freight or passage please apply to the agents Dodwell and Co., Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 29-1

AMERICA

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SOUTH AND EAST AFRICA

TEGELBERG Jan. 23. FOR MAURITIUS, REUNION, TAMATAVE, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, CAPETOWN, MOSSEL BAY, PORT ELIZABETH, EAST LONDON, ZANZIBAR and MOMBASA via HONGKONG, MANILA, SAIGON, BANGKOK (Koh-Si-Chang) SINGAPORE and BATAVIA.—The K.P.M. Line ms. Tegelberg sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Tuesday, January 23. Cargo accepted for all ports in South and East Africa, also East Coast of South America. For passage and freight apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V. Agents, K.P.M. Line, Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 23-1

VESSELS DISCHARGING

LEXA MAERSK. The Maersk Line m.s. Lexa Maersk, from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Norfolk, Newport News, Los Angeles, Yokohama and Kobe via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns to be borne by consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within (15) fifteen days after the vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo to be examined at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes Davy on Friday morning, January 19, at 9 a.m. Maersk Line, Shanghai Agency, 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 18-1

SILVERLAUREL. The ss. Silverlaurel, from United States and Way Ports.—The vessel is now discharging all her cargo at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. (Consignees of bulk cargo will further be required to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst it is being landed). All claims against this vessel must be sent within fourteen days from date of vessel's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of cargo. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Monday, January 22, at 9 a.m., when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will attend. Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V. 19-1

POST OFFICE NOTICES

The following times apply to the Head Post Office, Szechuen Road Bridge, Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

		Reg.	Ord.
WEDNESDAY, January 17.			
Tinghai and Shenkiamen via Tinghai	x	9.30	10.00
Nantung		14.30	15.00
Japan U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific	AX	14.00	16.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. and India	BX	15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	x	15.30	16.00
Aust. N.Z. and Straits	C	19.00	20.00
Hongkong and Canton		19.30	20.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00
Tsingtao		19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, January 18.			
Tsingtao and Dairen		*20.00	7.15
Amoy Swatow and Canton	x	*20.00	7.15
Tinghai and Shenkiamen via Tinghai	x	9.30	10.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	x	9.30	10.00
Ninghsien stc. via Chinhai	x	9.30	10.00
Aust. N.Z. Manila and Java Ports	D	11.30	12.30
Amoy Hongkong and Canton		12.00	12.30
Hongkong		14.00	14.30
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00
Tsingtao Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin		19.30	20.00
Minhow Foochow via Sankiangkow		19.30	20.00
FRIDAY, January 19.			
U.S.S.R. and Europe via Siberia		*20.00	8.00
Indo-China (Z) via Haiphong	E	—	—
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for U.S.A., Central America and Canal Zone, closes at 12.00 on 17th.
B Parcel mail for S.S., Gt. Britain and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 17th.
C Parcel mail for Straits, closes at 16.00 on 17th.
D Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 16.00 on 17th.
E Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 19th.
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Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service per steamer on January 18, at 11.30 a.m. for registered and at 12.30 p.m. for ordinary due London on January 31.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on January 18, at 11.30 a.m. for registered and at 12.30 p.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on January 30.
Air France per steamer on January 18, at 11.30 a.m. for registered and at 12.30 p.m. for ordinary.
Neth (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Batavia-Naples) per steamer to Hongkong.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per steamer to Hongkong.
Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service: daily at 8 p.m. Mails for America may be sent to-day by air mail to Japan for connection with a steamer leaving Yokohama on January 21.

Domestic Air Mail

Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 9.45 a.m. and 12.00, at Yuhang Road Sub-Office at 9.15 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.
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Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai Line (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
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Remarks: For Europe via Siberia:—Mails for Europe via Siberia are despatched on every Tuesday and Friday per trains via Nanking and Tientsin to connect with the Trans-Siberian trains.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

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Per steamer via Pacific, Jan. 17, due L'don Feb. 25.
Per steamer via Suez, Jan. 21, due L'don Feb. 19.
Per steamer via Pacific, Feb. 2, due L'don Mar. 7.

WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1940 (9th day of 12th moon)	SICCAWEI Jan. 15 16.00	Jan. 15 21.00	Jan. 16 4.00	Jan. 16 9.00
Barometer inches	30.01	30.01	29.99	30.04
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.12	—0.18	—0.15	—0.10
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.13	—0.13	—0.02	+0.03
Wind (direction)	NE/E	ENE	NE	NNE
" (miles per hour)	8.1	9.9	8.7	13.1
Temperature (Fahr.)	45.1°	44.8°	44.8°	45.9°
Humidity %	94	100	99	91
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall inches	0.08	0.22	0.30	0.12

Siccawei Abridged Report January 15	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.07	—0.10	30.32
Temp. Min. 41.°0 Max. 48.°2	44.°6	+3.°1	37.°8
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	0.60	0.39	0.73

Time and Tide	17/1	18/1	19/1	20/1	21/1
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.54	6.53	6.53	6.53	6.52
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.14	17.15	17.16	17.17	17.18
Moon rises at Shanghai	11.03	11.39	12.18	13.01	13.50
Moon sets at Shanghai	—	24.08	1.03	1.58	2.56
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	15.30	16.53	18.00	6.35	7.34
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	8.04	9.14	10.21	12.05	13.14
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	16.55	17.53	7.12	8.48	10.00
Ht. above L.W. (feet)	6.30	6.27	5.92	6.52	7.21

O.S.K.

Shanghai Sailing
For New York via Los Angeles
KANSAI MARU ..... Feb. 5
Kobe Sailings
For South America via S. Africa
BRAZIL MARU ..... Jan. 17
For South America via E. & S. Africa
ARIZONA MARU ..... Feb. 27
For Bombay
SUMATRA MARU ..... Jan. 26
LONDON MARU ..... Feb. 11
For Calcutta
BORNEO MARU ..... Jan. 24
HIMALAYA MARU ..... Feb. 12

Nagasaki Sailings
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TAKAO MARU ..... Feb. 1
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Keelung Sailings
For Haiphong, Saigon and Bangkok
BANGKOK MARU ..... Feb. 3
Kobe Sailings
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TOKYO MARU ..... Jan. 31
For West Africa
*ALASKA MARU ..... Jan. 25

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Syoryu M.	Kagoshima	Showa S.S.
H. Kiangnan	T'senkong	Foo Hwa
Anwoo	T'senkong	Dah Hsing
Tainan M.	Dairen	T.K.K.
Daiichi M.	River Ports	T.K.K.
Sandro Sandri	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Bonho	Hsinkong	Dong Shing
Sultai	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Hailung	Hsinkong	Tung Hai
Dairen M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Nantung M.	Nantung	T.K.K.
Liesel	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Chekiang M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Hwaping	T'lungkong	Hwa Chung
Hungyun M.	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Pelikan	Ningpo	Reuter B.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Chekiang M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Ehime M.	Jap.	Y.K.K.
Nagasaki M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Tsingtao M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Taiko M. 18	Jap.	T.K.K.
Daishin M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Chingning M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Pres. Coolidge	Am.	A.P.L.
Heini	Ger.	G.F.E.
Keizan M.	Jap.	Showa S.S.
Livatho	Gre.	Tung Hai
H. Kiangnan	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Meinan	Am.	S.V.O.C.
Lexa Maersk	Den.	Maersk L.
Corona	Nor.	K.M.A.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Marblehead	Am.	Cr.	B.N.B.
Oahu	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Pigeon 6	Am.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
E. Carlotto	Itl.	Gbt.	Garden P.

PASSENGERS co-operated in an experiment with sec-to-read lighting which the Southern Railway made on December 11. Trains on the Waterloo-Windsor line were fitted with a white bulb as well as the familiar blue globe. The passengers were required to keep the blinds down between stations.

D. K. K.

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U.S. Navy Needs Submarines

Admiral Stark Tells of Japanese Naval Policy; 5-3 Ratio Must Be Kept

Washington, Jan. 16.

The defeat of the Allies and the surrender of the Allied fleet to Germany are among the possibilities Admiral Harold R. Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, told the House Naval Affairs Committee he had considered in reaching an estimate for his request for a 25 per cent. naval increase.

"I think it is a possibility," Admiral Stark said. "Anything is a possibility."

Admiral Stark said the proposed naval expansion plan would stress submarines, including submarines with long cruising ranges suitable for operation in the south Atlantic. Submarine tonnage would be increased 55 per cent., he declared. Military needs are the prime item in allocating the tonnages by types, he asserted.

Asked if it is reasonable to assume that the United States will have allies in a war against a combination of enemies, Admiral Stark declared, "I have serious doubts that anybody would come out to aid us from purely altruistic motives. It might be that later on it would pay them not to see us defeated, but I don't think we should base our programme on any such hypothesis."—United Press.

Japan Must Take 3-5 Ratio

Washington, Jan. 15.

The Navy Department intends to make a determined effort to maintain the five to three ratio between the American and Japanese Fleets which was provided for by the London Naval Treaty, Admiral Harold Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, told the House Naval Affairs Committee today. The expansion programme, he continued, is designed to render the navy superior to any possible combination of "anti-peace powers."

Admiral Stark also declared that he was against the formation of two separate Atlantic and Pacific Fleets, stating he preferred the present organization providing for one fleet which can move swiftly from one zone to the other.—Havas.

Battleship Funds Withheld

Washington, Jan. 16.

It is learned authoritatively that funds for the construction of four 45,000-ton battleships will be withheld until proof is furnished why they should not be abandoned in favour of larger ships, according to the instructions of the House of Representatives' Naval Appropriations Sub-Committee.

Owing to the accelerated pace of naval building, President Roosevelt has written a letter to Mr. William B. Bankhead, Speaker of the House of Representatives, asking Congress to provide an additional sum of $31,000,000 immediately for armament and ammunition. This is additional to the $46,000,000 provided for the same purpose last year.

"The United States Navy needs bigger submarines than those of some other Powers because undersea operations might be required in the South Atlantic," declared Rear-Admiral Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, speaking before the Naval Committee of the House of Representatives yesterday.

Germany and Soviet Russia, he said, had built large numbers of small submarines for use against nearby potential enemies, but "the United States builds submarines for operations against potential aggressive enemy action more distant from our shores. It has been the uniform policy of Japan to build a large number of submarines capable of operating in distant areas."

Replying to the criticism that the proposed expansion of the Fleet, amounting to $1,300,000,000, was "top-heavy in favour of destroyers," Rear-Admiral Stark asserted that Great Britain had 359 destroyers and other specially constructed escort vessels, built or being built.—Reuter.

Infantile Paralysis in Manila Shuts Schools

LaSalle College Quarantined After Student Dies

Manila, Jan. 16.

The American School and LaSalle College closed today because of the fear of the spread of infantile paralysis.

LaSalle College was quarantined following the death of a student, Agerico Sison, of infantile paralysis. The American school, with an enrollment of 300 American, English and German children, decided to close indefinitely as a precaution when the fifth grade was quarantined because the eleven-year-old daughter of Lieutenant-Commander J. D. Crecozaner, senior surgeon on the U.S.S. Blackhawk, was taken to the hospital, suffering from what was feared to be infantile paralysis.

Private clubs and swimming pools were closed today and American and European children were advised to avoid public gathering.

During the past three weeks six cases of the disease have been reported and two deaths have resulted. Health officials, however, reiterated their belief that they do not fear an epidemic, but believed that sweeping precautions are advisable.

The United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, Mr. Francis B. Sayre, and President Manuel Quezon, were the first contributors to the anti-paralysis fund and also the first to purchase tickets to the annual Roosevelt Ball to aid sufferers. Health officials said they were in urgent need of serum which is being shipped from the Los Angeles Shriner's Hospital by Phillipine Clipper and is expected to arrive here on Friday.—United Press.

Noted French Newspaper Owners Visit England

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 15.

A party of eminent French newspaper proprietors arrived in England today. During their stay, visits will be made to Portsmouth and Aldershot and they will see something of London's air defences. Among social functions in their honour will be a lunch by the Government on Thursday. The visit concludes on Friday.—Reuter.

Highest Total of Road Deaths in Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 16.

Eight hundred and ninety-five people were killed on roads in Great Britain during the black-out in December. This is 212 more than the number killed during the whole of the hours in December in the previous year. Official figures show that 1,155 were killed on roads last month compared to 683 the year before. The total is the highest on record for any single month.—Reuter.

Shizuoka Suffers Huge Damage

One Third of City Razed by Flames; Troops Aid Fire Brigade to Douse Blaze

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

Loss to fire insurance companies alone will amount to Y.25,000,000 as a result of the blaze that destroyed more than one-third of the city of Shizuoka, 120 miles west of Tokyo, it was estimated this afternoon.

Casualties were comparatively small considering the extent of the area over which the fire swept yesterday. Two person were killed and 158 injured, eight seriously.

Loss of life was low because the fire broke out in the daylight and residents had plenty of time to flee. More than 8,000 buildings and homes were in ashes and 35,000 persons homeless as a result of the blaze.

The blaze started at 11.10 o'clock yesterday morning and was not extinguished until 2 o'clock this morning.

Fire brigades and troops united in desperate efforts to check the spread of the blaze.

Today a third of the city was in ruins. A relief headquarters was established in the Prefectural Government Office and authorities made every effort to care for the thousands who lost all their possessions.

Assistance also came from adjacent towns and villages.

Relief Distributed

Every effort was being made by Prefectural authorities to obtain foodstuffs for 50,000 persons for ten days. In addition to boiled rice, other foodstuff was being distributed today by the 34th Regiment, the Patriotic Women's Association and the Girls' Normal School. The Yokohama Municipality sent 450 blankets and 2,500 more pieces of bed covering were given by the Mishima Military Supply Depot. Other relief goods were on their way from Tokyo, Kanagawa, Aichi and other cities.

Sufferers were being cared for at the Shizuoka National High School and secondary schools in the precinct.

Roofing material and nails were also being distributed so that barracks could be built for the homeless.—Domei.

Robbers Sentenced

Sentences ranging from seven years' imprisonment to suspended sentences were meted out yesterday by the First Special District Court to 11 robbers involved in various crimes committed in the Settlement during the past few weeks. Yang Kwei-sen drew seven years in connection with the hold-up staged in Hupeh Road on December 25 last year, when a rice shop assistant was robbed of a bundle containing rent receipts which, two robbers including the sentenced man, thought to be cash. The other man is still at large. Several shots were fired by the fleeing robber but they did not seriously hurt the victim.

The ringleader of the robbery committed on the night of December 21 in Sawgin Road where an Indian named T. H. Lorence was relieved of jewellery and cash amounting to $6,819 was sentenced to five years' imprisonment while his accomplice drew eight months. Two women were sentenced to eight months' imprisonment each, but the sentences were suspended. The women were charged with hiding stolen property.

Two other men were sentenced to seven and five years imprisonment for their part in another robbery committed in the Yuen Sing Cigarette shop at 520 Tientsin Road last month. They escaped with $300 but several days later they were arrested by the Louza police, who found a pistol and five rounds of ammunition in their possession.

Grand Soiree in Aid Of St. Tichon's

In addition to the Arcadia's programme on February 2, the night of the grand soirée, which is to raise funds for St. Tichon's Orphanage, two special numbers have been arranged by Mme. J. Barraud and Mr. L. de Luca and will be staged by Mr. Sokolsky: 1. Danza dei Getti by G. Mure—Mmes V. Pistolesi and J. M. Moller Barraud; Mlles J. Chieri, F. du Pac de Marsoulies, E. Meadmore, H. Dupuy. 2. Hungarian Dance by M. Rosenfeld—Mme J. Ducimetière and Mlle I. Chieri.

There will be a raffle for two magnificent evening dresses designed and donated by Maxine-Maxine and Old Bond Street and two beautiful jade and pearl necklaces donated by Mrs. J. M. Royle and Mme J. Barraud.

Voting for the most popular lady and gentleman will be a new feature introduced at the Soirée and special prizes will be given. Small evening bags will also be distributed to each of the lady guests.

Tickets for the ball can be obtained from the members of the ball committee and at the Orphanage, 770 Rue Bourgeat (Tel. 72795).

Rationing Machinery Functions Well

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 15.

After one week's experience of the scheme for the rationing of butter, bacon and sugar—the only foods yet subject to rationing in Britain—it was stated authoritatively today that the machinery was working smoothly and well. There has been no shortage anywhere in the distribution of rationed commodities.—Reuter.

Positions Vacant

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CHINESE salesman for cakes and sweets, well-introduced in department stores, shops, etc. wanted. Knowledge of English or German requested. Address Box 507 Advertising Service, 340 North Soochow Road. -927

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ATTRACTIVE young bar-hostesses for high-class night club. Good salary and liberal commission. Apply 160 Avenue Edward VII, Room 216, after 2.30 p.m. 10292

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SEVERAL antique pieces of furniture, for sale. 1817A Avenue Joffre. -912

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BARGAIN, real silver and plated sets, crystalware, porcelain, bronzes, Philips radio, lady's fur-coat, vacuum cleaner, etc. 494 Weihaiwei Road, 5 Yang Terrace, Room 6, Telephone 61114. -30

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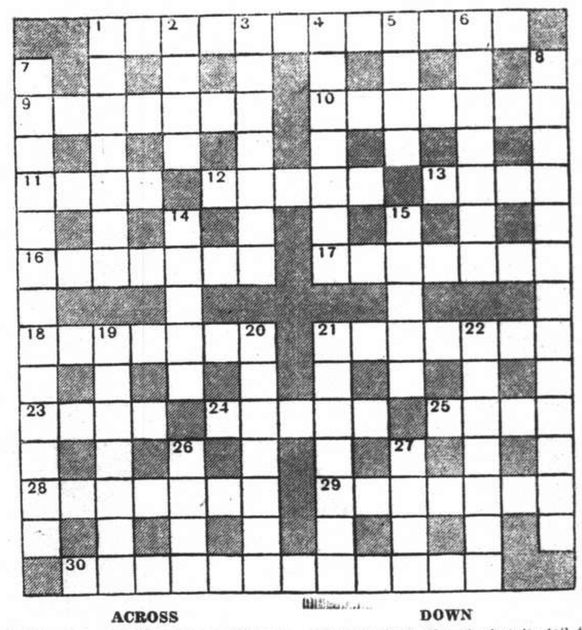

ACROSS

1 This lady should know a thing or two, and gives colours to many royalty
9 Discouragement to the offensive
10 Piece of furniture for lengthy issue
11 A lady makes a drink
12 Not a double vehicle, but furniture
13 An European in the news lately
16 No one man could hold it
17 Cut out this keeper's heart and you get the bird
18 Unobserved (two words)
21 The late comer to the at home risks getting it (two words)
23 When this is full one should wait for a moment
24 It is not as broad as it's long
25 Snatch a change of dress
28 Falling water characterizes it (two words)
29 An upstart
30 What's in the heart makes her lost, but many get well in it (two words)

DOWN

1 Its way is in the air, but its tail is a way in the land
2 Unsightly as a bit of rug lying on the floor
3 Trying to get a sight of royalty?
4 Helpless as a poached egg (two words)
5 Property of a Scot murdered in Ireland
6 Primitive penwiper seen in golf clubs
7 "Trips me in mire" (anag.) (two words)
8 Australian haven (two words)
14 Many know to compare
15 May look well on a dress, but doesn't finish well
19 Careful people take it, careless ones give it
20 One can only imagine what is false in the mouths of those having this (two words)
21 He may excite more than a this beheaded of sympathy
22 Evidence of rain in the hills?
26 The start of 22 down is one
27 Turn of odd composition

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